

The Rainfall of the present season compared with the Average or Normal Monthly Rainfall in all the Districts of the Lower Provinces.

DISTRICTS.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.	DIVISIONAL AVERAGE.
Burduwan { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.63 1.26	1.01 4.07	1.38 2.45	2.02 1.77	4.08 5.98	10.45 17.68	12.68 8.90	11.71	8.75	8.75	0.67	0.46	80.11	
Bancoorah { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.28 1.45	0.87 2.84	1.90 0.74	1.89 0.07	5.06 2.76	9.81 11.64	12.00 7.32	10.84	8.17	4.69	0.18	0.08	82.07	
Deerbhoom { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.43 0.63	0.73 5.80	0.72 1.23	0.89 0.33	2.06 2.06	8.26 14.28	12.45 7.18	11.98	6.60	4.47	0.13	0.17	81.34	
Midnapore { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.78 1.00	0.36 2.22	2.03 1.00	1.53 0.82	0.47 1.23	12.40 7.04	11.24 0.98	11.30	9.64	6.82	0.42		82.23	
Hughly { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.70 0.84	1.71 4.06	2.70 0.60	4.40 0.36	0.45 0.22	12.44 3.69	12.23 6.37	14.00	9.40	4.14	0.04	0.13	89.02	
Howrah { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.10 0.63	1.20 3.40	2.88 0.88	2.38 0.27	8.45 1.83	15.07 4.57	12.10 0.20	12.08	10.80	4.06	0.4	0.02	60.22	
St. Petersburg (Alipore) { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.5 0.96	0.8 4.13	1.4 1.96	2.4 0.22	0.3 1.04	12.8 8.10	15.4 8.38	14.4	9.9	5.4	0.7	0.2	67.2	
Nedda { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.46 1.27	0.90 4.08	0.83 1.19	4.17 0.70	7.43 0.61	11.34 11.05	9.28 0.60	9.44	7.58	4.98	0.23	0.16	20.70	
Jessore { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.23 2.22	0.56 2.35	1.05 1.31	4.00 0.54	7.27 5.98	12.42 10.45	10.78 3.42	10.91	9.22	6.28	0.80	0.61	80.41	
Mooreabad { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.31 1.10	0.83 1.55	1.00 0.22	2.27 2.00	4.17 3.07	9.09 9.56	10.44 0.10	9.36	9.06	6.13	0.20	0.10	54.90	
Shangapore { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.18 0.73	0.08 1.32	0.90 0.91	2.64 2.06	8.22 8.05	10.91 14.22	17.60 17.91	14.28	13.78	6.30	0.19	0.02	84.50	
Maldah { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.76 0.35	1.31 1.25	1.23 1.23	1.78 2.61	9.28 5.00	9.00 8.90	10.45 11.99	9.48	10.40	4.80	0.22	0.46	53.85	
Rajshahy { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.15 0.45	1.24 8.34	1.30 0.24	2.14 2.73	0.25 6.28	11.26 6.24	15.13 5.92	9.54	11.19	5.81	0.21	0.45	61.71	
Rangpore { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.12 3.00	0.27 1.23	0.97 1.40	2.08 4.20	10.08 8.73	22.05 18.80	12.07 19.70	12.27	12.28	0.91	0.23	0.12	80.19	
Bogra { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.20 2.40	0.92 4.06	0.81 0.10	4.00 6.20	9.25 8.91	17.10 14.25	10.91 10.83	12.16	10.25	5.90	1.00	0.08	80.41	
Fulba { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.31 0.25	0.70 1.70	1.23 1.03	4.23 2.22	5.97 10.07	12.02 8.26	12.05 3.15	11.37	10.00	9.08	0.40	0.61	60.20	
Darjeeling { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.08 1.90	1.20 0.42	1.00 0.30	3.00 0.20	6.27 2.00	27.05 22.27	20.07 14.71	20.00	17.65	8.14	0.24	0.11	124.00	
Jalpiore { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.28 1.18	0.93 0.78	1.36 0.93	5.95 2.64	7.06 11.74	20.24 24.00	20.46 21.06	20.46	21.00	8.2	0.02		120.24	
Cooch Behar { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.4 1.40	0.8 0.93	0.8 0.93	0.8 0.93	0.8 15.74	0.8 29.73	0.8 40.76	12.13	12.1	4.1	0.1		97.33	
Imphal { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.25 0.98	0.75 1.88	1.28 0.02	0.95 0.09	9.87 12.04	12.02 0.40	12.02 0.15	12.19	9.12	8.06	0.22	0.00	74.45	
Purandhore { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.28 1.18	1.21 4.07	1.27 4.24	0.90 2.28	10.77 14.15	12.18 7.30	12.07 4.84	12.03	8.24	8.15	0.25	0.01	79.08	
Bankergunge { Normal ... 1874 ...	0.24 1.01	0.28 8.07	1.24 0.25	0.23 1.02	9.27 12.05	10.78 17.21	12.02 17.21	12.12	11.09	9.07	0.22	0.13	50.20	

Districts.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.	DIVISIONAL AVERAGE.
Bhoomsing ... { Normal ...	0'28	1'23	1'23	7'97	15'41	23'30	20'10	15'06	14'29	5'74	0'12	.....	105'25	
1874 ...	1'14	5'54	2'77	6'33	8'58	15'45	10'00							
Bilhet ... { Normal ...	0'18	1'47	4'05	14'35	23'57	31'72	20'89	23'50	15'05	9'00	0'00	0'00	154'31	
1874 ...	1'31	4'00	5'51	20'70	19'23	22'25	16'79							
Debar ... { Normal ...	0'44	3'05	6'08	12'20	15'00	18'57	23'39	10'25	14'32	8'25	0'32	0'02	119'72	
1874 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17'03							
Duttapong ... { Normal ...	0'29	1'30	1'40	5'09	8'76	22'02	23'05	22'05	13'06	7'05	1'79	0'18	105'79	
1874 ...	...	2'77	1'05	9'50	17'07	15'08	13'09							
Bankhully ... { Normal ...	0'36	0'58	1'05	4'16	9'42	21'56	17'40	20'32	16'08	8'22	1'45	0'04	101'70	
1874 ...	0'24	3'14	2'58	6'25	14'74	10'78	13'07							
Tipperah ... { Normal ...	0'01	0'94	2'28	8'17	11'30	19'14	17'20	14'05	10'57	6'07	1'05	0'07	52'56	
1874 ...	1'10	1'00	3'30	2'24	16'04	9'70	15'13							
Culmone Hill Tracts ... { Normal ...	0'1	0'7	1'6	6'1	10'1	15'9	18'1	17'0	11'0	0'3	0'2	0'2	90'9	
1874 ...	0'30	2'07	3'14	1'30	15'09	14'05	9'23							
Hill Tipperah ... { Normal ...	0'1	0'05	0'8	8'4	2'7	5'7	2'6	11'3	8'4	4'0	.....	0'2	40'13	
1874 ...	1'44	2'58	2'05	6'11	10'12	2'28	*							* Not received.
Paim ... { Normal ...	0'05	0'30	0'25	0'44	1'15	6'50	10'57	7'23	7'43	2'55	0'09	0'00	37'61	
1874 ...	0'46	0'38	0'37	0'37	.....	10'05	12'00							
Pra ... { Normal ...	0'53	0'03	0'26	0'00	0'00	6'52	12'34	10'14	7'17	3'24	0'05	0'08	45'02	
1874 ...	1'27	1'26	0'07	.....	0'07	11'58	8'10							
Bahabad ... { Normal ...	0'06	0'56	0'03	0'05	1'32	7'40	13'65	9'75	10'44	2'80	0'23	0'06	46'08	
1874 ...	0'31	1'00	0'25	.....	0'05	17'32	8'31							
Tirhoot ... { Normal ...	0'02	0'27	0'55	0'45	2'15	0'62	10'18	9'03	8'54	3'50	0'03	.....	44'07	
1874 ...	0'09	0'30	0'30	1'07	0'00	5'05	*							* Not received.
Saran ... { Normal ...	0'78	0'46	0'41	0'55	1'29	6'54	9'29	8'56	7'45	2'72	0'02	.....	37'87	
1874 ...	0'23	0'37	0'39	.....	.....	9'07	12'01							
Champaran ... { Normal ...	0'37	0'28	0'80	0'37	1'37	8'04	10'06	10'78	8'33	3'29	.....	0'10	45'09	
1874 ...	1'10	0'21	0'10	1'36	13'32	7'74								
Monghyr ... { Normal ...	0'45	0'03	0'31	0'65	1'53	5'02	10'00	7'75	7'02	3'77	0'05	0'11	40'04	
1874 ...	0'40	1'26	0'33	0'31	1'05	15'70	11'48							
Bhagulpore ... { Normal ...	0'40	0'72	0'48	1'04	2'61	8'25	11'41	10'45	8'10	4'03	0'03	0'07	48'55	
1874 ...	0'33	1'47	0'05	0'06	2'13	15'09	8'21							
Burneah ... { Normal ...	0'42	0'90	0'73	2'35	4'02	15'03	16'50	14'06	9'28	2'78	0'03	.....	80'02	
1874 ...	0'11	1'08	.....	0'05	0'76	15'78	17'04							
South Guwahati Per. { Normal ...	0'14	0'46	0'32	1'10	2'02	5'44	13'0	9'54	7'2	2'7	.....	0'05	46'80	
1874 ...	0'20	2'17	0'25	0'47	0'50	14'41	7'15							
Cuttack ... { Normal ...	0'45	0'41	1'02	1'00	1'07	9'00	11'21	18'54	9'01	6'31	1'07	0'01	54'25	
1874 ...	1'52	2'28	0'06	.....	3'05	16'02	16'15							
Pooree ... { Normal ...	0'09	1'30	0'05	1'05	2'37	8'50	9'25	11'53	9'42	7'02	1'05	0'74	55'55	
1874 ...	0'06	1'00	0'05	.....	0'35	16'04	11'75							
Baharo ... { Normal ...	1'01	1'32	1'79	2'04	4'39	15'00	9'40	12'03	18'76	7'01	0'30	0'11	67'30	
1874 ...	0'35	3'47	0'79	0'07	1'30	9'05	13'45							
Bazareelagh ... { Normal ...	0'20	0'40	0'71	0'51	1'27	8'38	15'72	12'05	8'15	3'05	0'12	0'07	50'57	
1874 ...	0'70	2'19	0'42	0'31	1'12	10'02	9'78							
Shardoga ... { Normal ...	0'37	0'03	1'03	0'02	1'45	7'35	10'37	9'71	6'01	3'27	0'19	0'10	43'29	
1874 ...	1'20	0'45	2'01	0'27	1'35	6'37	11'13							

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Singbhoon { Normal ...	03	03	07	12	25	75	15	105	142	41	02	01	406	
1874 ...	077	368	248	008	184	730	1105							
Measbhoon { Normal ...	037	061	070	080	120	020	074	1086	640	480	000	031	6400	
1874 ...	507	297	033	067	091	787	419							
Oachar { Normal ...	044	305	008	1220	1870	1837	2330	1685	1437	025	033	002	11072	
1874 ...	236	035	003	024	1021	1608								
Goulparah { Normal ...	037	028	171	423	1537	2038	2010	1233	1200	533	023	013	9875	
1874 ...	038	130	264	933	2022	1637	2450							
Kamroop { Normal ...	036	150	140	065	1062	1300	1218	1154	829	233	037	000	7012	
1874 ...	036	150	415	027	1203	016								
Durrang { Normal ...	033	030	119	037	1036	1429	1033	1342	000	200	037	070	7088	
1874 ...	018	173	374	022	2129	028								
Nowgong { Normal ...	125	146	288	070	1213	1538	1644	1807	1240	400	055	023	8782	
1874 ...	030	222	383	207	1319	030								
Bochamgor { Normal ...	102	248	402	1008	1101	1501	1034	1579	1137	492	146	005	9416	
1874 ...	231	325	445	1808	2375	2625								
Lakhimpore { Normal ...	06	24	010	09	76	246	229	186	108	42	23	03	1154	
1874 ...	133	360	028	890										
Maga Hills { Normal ...	08	07	14	300	36	71	79	05	54	53	01	005	6280	
1874 ...	120	265	265	231	363									
Khairi and Jy- { Normal ...	006	031	082	307	930	1196	1580	1011	1830	578	140	000	7754	
teah Hills 1874 ...	130	231	126	364										
Garu Hills { Normal ...	01	06	12	6	67	171	245	151	226	75	01	1085	
1874 ...	214	280	140	507	1287	1675								

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CALCUTTA,

The 11th August 1874.

Rainfall of 1874 compared with the average or norm allfall, by seasons.

DISTRICTS.				TILLAGE.	ROWING AND TRANS- PLANTING.	GROWTH.	MATURING.
				January to April.	May to July.	August-September.	October to December.
Burdwan ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	439	2708		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	546	2733		
Bancoorah ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	464	2407		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	510	2175		
Berhoom ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	377	2337		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	619	2353		
Midnapore ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	470	2911		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	530	1412		
Hoochly ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	900	3113		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	886	1023		
Howrah ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	608	3120		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	527	1275		
24-Pergunnahs (Alipore) ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	510	3100		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	726	1532		
Kuddus ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	639	2906		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	773	2500		
Jessore ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	711	3107		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	702	1975		
Meerabadabad ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	420	2430		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	535	1943		
Binagapore ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	430	4000		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	522	3009		
Mallah ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	538	2200		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	590	2330		
Rajahmundry ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	430	3001		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	596	1530		
Rangpore ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	404	2363		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	1105	4720		
Roga ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	681	4653		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	1215	3212		
Pubna ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	723	3104		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	933	2330		
Darjeeling ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	705	6417		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	877	4738		
Jalpaiguri ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	679	6533		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	646	5779		
Cooch Behar ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	630	4030		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	1030	3043		
Dacca ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	905	3675		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	903	2043		
Fuxedpore ...	{	Normal fall ...	...	1073	3043		
	{	Present year 1874 ...	...	1218	2030		

DISTRICTS.					TILLAGE.		ROWING AND TRANS- PLANTING.	GROWING.	MATURING.
					January to April.	May to July.		August-September.	October to December.
Backergunge	{	Normal fall			6'80	55'90			
		Present year 1874			6'05	57'05			
Mymensing	{	Normal fall			10'44	54'90			
		Present year 1874			14'08	54'01			
Sylhet	{	Normal fall			9'41	51'38			
		Present year 1874			35'62	56'37			
Chittagong	{	Normal fall			5'07	53'33			
		Present year 1874			5'02	46'56			
Nonkholy	{	Normal fall			6'88	46'38			
		Present year 1874			5'21	46'42			
Tipperah	{	Normal fall			12'06	48'28			
		Present year 1874			8'53	38'77			
Chittagong Hill Tracts	{	Normal fall			8'50	41'10			
		Present year 1874			6'89	38'27			
Hill Tipperah	{	Normal fall			3'18	14'00			
		Present year 1874			12'51	12'60			
Patna	{	Normal fall			2'12	15'11			
		Present year 1874			1'78	25'08			
Gya	{	Normal fall			2'02	19'72			
		Present year 1874			2'00	19'75			
Munabaid	{	Normal fall			2'90	22'31			
		Present year 1874			1'55	25'28			
Tibet	{	Normal fall			2'39	19'72			
		Present year 1874			2'30	5'04			
Saran	{	Normal fall			2'20	17'15			
		Present year 1874			1'45	21'08			
Champarn	{	Normal fall			1'72	21'45			
		Present year 1874			1'41	21'08			
Moughyr	{	Normal fall			2'01	18'41			
		Present year 1874			2'30	22'46			
Etahulpore	{	Normal fall			2'49	22'25			
		Present year 1874			2'61	24'58			
Purneah	{	Normal fall			4'22	34'25			
		Present year 1874			4'75	22'28			
Bouthal Pergumab	{	Normal fall			2'09	21'25			
		Present year 1874			2'09	20'05			
Cuttack	{	Normal fall			3'71	22'07			
		Present year 1874			4'72	24'05			
Pooree	{	Normal fall			2'41	20'21			
		Present year 1874			1'71	22'07			
Balasore	{	Normal fall			6'04	28'05			
		Present year 1874			5'25	19'41			
Hamarobagh	{	Normal fall			1'97	22'22			
		Present year 1874			4'71	21'20			

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DISTRICTS.	TILLAGE.	SOWING AND TRANS- PLANTING.	GROWTH.	* MATURING.
	January to April.	May to July.	August— September.	October to December.
Lohardugga { Normal fall Present year 1874	397 718	1939 1838		
Singbhum { Normal fall Present year 1874	240 690	2206 2009		
Manbhoom { Normal fall Present year 1874	247 686	1973 1297		
Cachar { Normal fall Present year 1874	2181 2658	9705		
Golparah { Normal fall Present year 1874	709 1366	6804 6154		
Kamrup { Normal fall Present year 1874	1010 1188	3646		
Durrant { Normal fall Present year 1874	967 1887	3988		
Nowgong { Normal fall Present year 1874	1227 982	4123		
Soetmagor { Normal fall Present year 1874	1780 2309	6236		
Lakhimpore { Normal fall Present year 1874	1690 2041	5210		
Naga Hills { Normal fall Present year 1874	650 884	2450		
Khair and Jynteah Hills { Normal fall Present year 1874	444 861			
Garoh Hills { Normal fall Present year 1874	690 1059	5610		

DIVISIONAL COMPARISON.

Barwan Division { Normal 1874	3334 3754	16719 11475		
Presidency { Normal 1874	1920 2201	9223 5896		
Pajonhye { Normal 1874	3745 5821	23410 20327		
Coch Behar { Normal 1874	2007 9622	17909 19120		
Dacca { Normal 1874	3783 7763	23424 18146		
Chittagong { Normal 1874	3803 3916	20204 18487		
Pala { Normal 1874	1404 1109	11871 12545		

DIVISIONS		TILLAGE.	SOWING AND TRANS- PLANTING.	GROWTH.	MATURITY.
		January to April.	May to July.	August-September.	October to December.
Bhagulpoore Division	{ Normal	1590	6561		
	{ 1874	1595	10953		
Orissa	{ Normal	1631	6938		
	{ 1874	1170	7931		
Chota Nagpore	{ Normal	1081	6449		
	{ 1874	2479	7433		

NOTE.

The peculiarities of the present season thus far, are almost as marked as were those of 1873. The season of tillage (January to April) was characterized by a rainfall above the average in almost every division, and conspicuously so in Rajshahye, Dacca, and Chota Nagpore. In the Behar, Bhagulpoore, and Orissa Districts, the rains during this period were a little below the normal fall, but to no very material extent. On the other hand, the rainfall of the sowing season (May, June, July,) has been abnormally and almost dangerously scanty in the Burdwan, Presidency, Rajshahye, and Dacca divisions, but a little better than average in Behar and Bhagulpoore. Tirhoot however, has been again most unfortunate. It is the July fall in particular—the month for transplanting the late rice—that has been so deficient [pp. 2726-2727.]

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CALCUTTA,
The 11th August 1874.

Weekly Report of Rainfall compiled at the Meteorological Reporter's Office.

DIVISION.	DISTRICT.	STATION.	Rain from 1st July to 26th July 1874.	Rain from 26th July to 1st Aug. 1874.	RAIN FROM 1ST JANUARY 1874.		REMARKS.
					Inches.	Up to date.	
BENGAL.							
BUREWAL.	WESTERN DISTRICTS.		Inches.	Inches.	1874.		
	Burdwan	Burdwan ...	0.99	2.83	37.68	1st Aug.	
		Culina ...	0.12	0.97	28.00	ditto.	
		Boodhoo ...	1.73	4.29	26.22	ditto.	
		Raneerunge ...	2.40	2.33	29.25	ditto.	
		Jehanabad ...	1.04	1.00	21.58	ditto.	
		...	0.96	2.65	23.10	ditto.	
	Bankoora	Bankoora ...	1.31	0.93	27.06	ditto.	
	Beerbhoom	Sooree ...	0.91	1.82	29.71	ditto.	
	Midnapore	Midnapore ...	1.78	3.88	17.28	ditto.	
		Tumlook ...	1.93	4.41	26.11	ditto.	
		Gurbeta ...	2.35	1.23	29.62	ditto.	
	Contai	{ Dr. Collie's Office	3.00	9.80	34.10	ditto.	
		{ Exe. Engr.'s Office	3.14	10.37	39.33	ditto.	
	Hooghly	{ Hooghly ...	0.65	2.97	21.14	ditto.	
		{ Serampore ...	1.61	5.00	23.62	ditto.	
	Howrah	Howrah ...	1.72	3.73	18.05	ditto.	
PRESIDENT.	CENTRAL DISTRICTS.						
	24-Pergunnahs	Bangor Island ...	2.40	6.40	36.05	ditto.	
		Calcutta ...	1.98	5.27	29.81	ditto.	
		Alipore { Dispensary	1.97	5.22	23.13	ditto.	
		{ Jail ...	1.44	4.95	22.58	ditto.	
		Ruseerhat ...	1.61	2.80	20.53	ditto.	
		Barnett ...	1.80	5.59	26.84	ditto.	
		Diamond Harbour ...	2.41	4.27	25.67	ditto.	
		Barripore ...	1.36	3.61	23.67	ditto.	
		Saikhira ...	2.84	1.14	22.42	ditto.	
		Barrackpore ...	1.23	4.48	23.79	ditto.	
		Dum-Dum ...	1.31	2.62	20.19	ditto.	
	Nudda	Kishnaghar ...	1.76	2.96	30.71	ditto.	
		Bongong ...	2.19	0.97	25.07	ditto.	
		Meherpore ...	0.94	1.14	28.17	ditto.	
		Choodangrah ...	0.59	0.80	29.48	ditto.	
		Koohtea ...	1.23	0.89	30.81	ditto.	
	Jessore	Ranaghat ...	1.07	1.90	25.10	ditto.	
		Jessore ...	0.81	0.91	26.77	ditto.	
		Narail ...	1.57	1.24	31.62	ditto.	
		Khordha ...	1.35	5.75	30.88	ditto.	
		Jhenidah ...	0.63	0.63	33.69	ditto.	
	Moorshedabad	Bagrhat ...	1.49	3.78	33.69	ditto.	
		Mageorah ...	1.98	1.25	29.34	ditto.	
		Berhampore ...	0.75	0.78	25.47	ditto.	
		Rampore Hant ...	0.39	1.06	26.79	ditto.	
		City Moorshedabad ...	1.03	1.65	28.10	ditto.	
CALCUTTA.	Dinapore	Jungpore ...	1.18	1.87	29.30	ditto.	
		Azingunge ...	0.41	1.16	30.45	ditto.	
		Lalgolla ...	1.45	1.60	28.41	ditto.	
		Dinapore ...	1.77	1.31	41.91	ditto.	
		Maldah ...	0.91	1.96	29.85	ditto.	
	Rajshahys	Baulah ...	1.37	0.18	24.99	ditto.	
		Nattore ...	1.24	0.98	39.15	ditto.	
	Rangpore	Rangpore ...	1.80	0.52	58.34	ditto.	
		Bhowanigunj ...	0.58	1.13	29.33	ditto.	
		Titalya ...	4.31	0.30	59.91	ditto.	
COCH BEHAR.	Bogra	Bogra ...	2.20	1.90	61.24	ditto.	
		Pabna ...	0.71	0.68	31.64	ditto.	
	Pabna	Serajgunj ...	0.65	0.95	33.35	ditto.	
		Darjeeling ...	Not rec.	Not rec.	42.18	30th June.	
	Darjeeling	{ Telegraph Office ...	2.00	2.08	56.15	1st Aug.	
		{ Hospital ...	2.00	2.08	56.15	1st Aug.	
	Jalpigore	Jalpigore ...	4.81	0.60	64.27	ditto.	
		Rodah ...	2.99	Nil	65.00	ditto.	
		Buxa { Commissioner's Office...	19.44	1.31	124.28	ditto.	From 13th April.
	Cooch Behar Tributary State	{ Civil Surgeon's " ...	9.61	1.80	139.97	ditto.	
		Cooch Behar ...	2.87	0.29	27.42	ditto.	

From 12th April.

DIVISION.	DISTRICT.	STATION.	Rain from 1st July to 25th July 1874.	Rain from 26th July to 1st Aug. 1874.	RAIN FROM 1st JANUARY 1874.		REMARKS.
					Inches.	Up to date.	
BENGAL—(Continued.)							
Dacca.	EASTERN DISTRICTS.		Inches.	Inches.	1874.		
	Dacca	Dacca { Telegraph Office ...	0.19	5.11	34.95	1st Aug.	
		{ Hospital ...	0.30	Not rec.	32.13	25th July.	
		{ Moonshesung ...	0.30	ditto	30.04	ditto.	
	Furzedpore	{ Manickgunge ...	2.81	ditto	29.68	ditto.	
		{ Furzedpore ...	1.50	1.95	27.95	1st Aug.	
		{ Goalundo ...	2.50	0.44	28.64	ditto.	
	Bachergunge	{ Nadaripore ...	5.35	2.50	43.20	ditto.	
		{ Barisal ...	4.38	4.34	59.75	ditto.	
		{ Perozepore ...	1.27	4.27	28.01	ditto.	
	Mymensingh	{ Patuakhally ...	3.04	8.42	50.61	ditto.	
		{ Dowlakhani ...	2.08	9.63	49.33	ditto.	
		{ Mymensingh ...	1.10	0.83	46.63	ditto.	
	Sylhet	{ Jamalpore ...	0.90	0.40	35.97	ditto.	
		{ Atia ...	0.70	1.15	37.34	ditto.	
		{ Kishoregunge ...	Nil	5.55	45.98	ditto.	
Chittagong.	Chittagong	Sylhet ...	2.43	5.33	25.53	ditto.	
		Chittagong { Telegraph Office ...	6.40	11.50	57.19	ditto.	
		{ Jail ...	6.17	3.38	52.10	ditto.	
	Noakhally	{ Cox's Bazar ...	4.27	Not rec.	52.29	25th July.	
		{ Noakhally ...	1.23	6.09	54.76	1st Aug.	
	Tipperah	{ Comillah ...	2.30	3.32	47.44	ditto.	
		{ Brahmunberiah ...	1.64	2.83	34.70	ditto.	
Chittagong Hill Tracts.	Chittagong Hill Tracts		Bangamatia Hill ...	3.54	3.32	46.07	ditto.
	Hill Tipperah		Hill Tipperah ...	Not rec.	0.79	36.30	ditto ... Not rec. 19th to 25th July.
BEHAR.							
PATNA.	PATNA.	Patna ...	2.10	2.54	27.44	ditto.	
		Behar ...	0.49	1.52	24.95	ditto.	
		Barh ...	0.35	0.59	17.40	ditto.	
		Dinapore { Jail ...	1.89	1.90	37.40	ditto.	
		{ Cantonment ...	1.95	2.70	28.27	ditto.	
	Gya	Gya ...	1.67	2.84	23.17	ditto.	
		Nowadah ...	0.24	0.90	26.80	ditto.	
		Arungabad ...	2.18	2.55	23.45	ditto.	
		Jehanabad ...	Nil	1.47	22.76	ditto.	
	Shahabad	Arrah ...	0.00	1.10	27.24	ditto.	
		Sasaram ...	0.10	2.56	23.00	ditto.	
		Buxar ...	1.10	1.13	21.14	ditto.	
		Bhuboah ...	0.15	1.39	24.95	ditto.	
	Tirhoot	Morufepore ...	1.23	Not rec.	22.31	25th July.	
		Darbhanga ...	2.82	ditto	31.14	ditto.	
		Hajepore ...	0.05	ditto	20.85	ditto.	
		Mudhoobunnee ...	1.43	ditto	25.73	ditto.	
Monghyr.	Saran	Saran { Setaumurhee ...	5.11	ditto	21.73	ditto.	
		{ Tejpur ...	0.29	ditto	23.14	ditto.	
		Chuprah ...	0.07	ditto	22.19	ditto.	
		Bewan ...	0.30	ditto	22.63	ditto.	
	Champaran	Motihare ...	1.31	0.30	23.03	1st Aug.	
		Bettiah ...	2.51	0.25	31.26	ditto.	
	Monghyr	Monghyr ...	0.39	1.79	31.30	ditto.	
		Begoo Serai ...	Nil	0.75	15.37	ditto.	
		Jamsoore ...	0.12	2.18	26.02	ditto.	
	Bhagulpore	Bhagulpore ...	0.20	1.14	29.14	ditto.	
		Sopoor ...	1.13	0.90	34.25	ditto.	
		Muddehpore ...	1.00	1.00	22.68	ditto.	
	Purneah	Banka ...	0.41	0.71	27.40	ditto.	
		Sanbora ...	0.31	0.82	29.26	ditto.	
		Purneah ...	1.15	1.44	37.11	ditto.	
Saidpur.	Saidpur	Kusmurgunge ...	4.33	0.23	53.20	ditto.	
		Arruah ...	0.15	0.29	49.54	ditto.	
		Deoghur ...	0.69	2.78	25.15	ditto.	
	Saidpur Parganah		Rajmehal ...	0.30	0.40	18.30	ditto.
Saidpur.	Saidpur	Nya Doonka ...	0.65	2.71	23.50	ditto.	
		Godda ...	0.73	2.05	23.30	ditto.	

DIVISION.	DISTRICT.	STATIONS.	Rain from 1st July to 25th July 1874.	Rain from 26th July to 1st Aug. 1874.	RAIN FROM 1st JANUARY 1874.		REMARKS.
					Inches.	Up to date.	
ORISSA.							
			Inches.	Inches.	1874.		
Cuttack	...	Cuttack ... { Telegraph Office	3.10	5.30	36.16	1st Aug.	
		...	0.06	0.46	41.84	ditto.	
		Jajpore ...	Not rec.	Not rec.	23.05	18th July.	
		Kendraparah ...	ditto	ditto	11.00	ditto.	
		Jugasingpora ...	ditto	ditto	13.25	4th July.	
		Faise Point ...	5.65	ditto	20.11	25th July.	
Poores	...	Poores ...	6.04	4.61	25.54	1st Aug.	
		Khoordah ...	7.66	4.65	37.16	ditto.	
Balasore	...	Balasore ...	4.40	Not rec.	16.67	25th July.	
		Bhadruck ...	4.18	ditto	22.34	ditto.	
		Jellasore ...	3.63	ditto	24.60	ditto.	
		Sorah ...	2.73	ditto	22.13	ditto.	
		Chandbally ...	3.27	ditto	15.20	ditto.	
		Cuttack Tributary Mahals					
		Sambalpore ...	2.75	ditto	27.45	ditto.	
CHOTA NAGPORE.							
SOUTH-WESTERN FRONTIER AGENCY.							
Hasareebagh	...	Hasareebagh ... { Jail	0.88	3.08	26.51	1st Aug.	
		...	1.02	3.84	32.19	ditto.	
		Pachumba ...	0.30	3.28	27.99	ditto.	
Leharduggah	...	Ranchae ...	1.30	3.03	22.03	ditto.	
		Palamow ...	2.48	7.01	41.93	ditto.	
Singbhoom	...	Chybassa ...	0.97	8.11	27.77	ditto.	
Manbhoom	...	Purulia ...	0.72	2.01	19.27	ditto.	
		Gorindpore ...	1.46	2.80	32.65	ditto.	
ASSAM & ADJACENT HILLS.							
Cachar	...	Cachar ...	Not rec.	Not rec.	68.70	11th July.	
		Hylakandy ...	ditto	ditto	60.88	18th July.	
		Koyah ...	4.84	ditto	66.52	25th July.	
Goalparah	...	Goalparah ...	Not rec.	ditto	65.80	11th July.	
		Dhoozee ...	ditto	ditto	69.98	4th July.	
Kamrup	...	Gowhaty ...	ditto	ditto	48.82	ditto.	
		Burpeta ...	ditto	ditto	49.17	ditto.	
Durrang	...	Tezore ...	ditto	ditto	37.44	20th June.	
		Mungledye ...	ditto	ditto	39.46	ditto.	
Nowgong	...	Nowgong ...	ditto	ditto	39.80	11th July.	
Soobaugor	...	Soobaugor ...	4.02	ditto	64.29	25th July.	
		Golaghat ...	2.23	ditto	68.01	ditto.	
		Jorehaut ...	0.17	ditto	72.71	ditto.	
		Naseerah ...	5.96	ditto	86.91	ditto.	
Luckimpore	...	Debrooghur ...	Not rec.	ditto	44.06	23rd May.	
		North Luckimpore	ditto	ditto	61.22	13th June.	
		Suddya ...	ditto	ditto	47.61	23rd May ...	Not rec. 6th to 11th April.
Naga Hills	...	Samoogoodling ...	ditto	ditto	25.04	18th July.	
Khasi and Jynteah Hills	...	Shillong ...	ditto	ditto	11.10	16th May.	
		Jawai ...	ditto	ditto	21.50	ditto.	
		Cherrapunjee ...	ditto	ditto	133.03	23rd May.	
Garó Hills	...	Tura ...	ditto	ditto	69.85	11th July.	
		Benares	0.55	3.13	29.17	1st Aug.	
		Akyab ...	5.00	11.50	55.89	ditto.	

CALCUTTA,
The 8th August 1874.

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Meteorological Telegraphic Report for the period 2nd to 8th August 1874.

Station.	Date.	Hour.	Barometer reduced to 32°.	Barometer reduced to sea-level.	Thermometer.		Humidity, % at 100.	Wind.		Rain.	Clouds.	Weather initials.
					Dry.	Wet.		Direction.	Velocity.			
Calcutta.	July 2nd	10	29.444	29.473	85.3	80.3	78	E	11.1	0.06	K	scud.
	16	10	29.347	29.365	82.0	79.7	69	K S E	20.7	0.11	C	scud.
	2nd	10	29.025	29.043	84.4	80.6	87	S E	13.3	0.08	K, C	scud.
	16	10	29.039	29.057	84.6	82.3	91	S by E	5.8	0.44	N	o
	4th	10	29.052	29.083	81.2	79.2	86	S E	5.4	0.31	N	o
	16	10	29.035	29.013	79.7	77.8	85	S by E	7.0	0.04	N	o
	6th	10	29.067	29.085	83.6	81.6	91	S by E	5.8	1.30	S	o
	16	10	29.057	29.075	84.2	80.5	94	S by W	9.0	0.03	K, C	o
	8th	10	29.701	29.719	83.6	81.3	91	S E	5.6	0.12	N	o
	16	10	29.036	29.021	83.6	81.9	99	S S E	7.0	0.32	K, N	o
Sauron Island.	7th	10	29.713	29.720	82.4	81.6	83	S S E	5.5	0.03	N, K	o
	16	10	29.710	29.036	83.0	83.0	78	S E	6.2	...	K	o
	8th	10	29.475	29.083	87.0	82.6	81	S S E	4.1	...	K	o
	16	10	29.548	29.606	91.4	82.6	66	S S E	3.8	...	K	o
	2nd	10	29.309	29.306	81	78	86	N E	10.7	0.30	N	do, scud.
	16	10	29.274	29.284	83	80	87	S E	16.3	...	N, S	o
	3rd	10	29.039	29.045	80	81	79	S S E	0.20	...	N	o
	16	10	29.583	29.600	87	81	76	S	9.5	...	N	o
	4th	10	29.673	29.680	80	79	95	S W	5.3	1.10	N	o
	16	10	29.543	29.560	79	78	95	W S W	7.4	5.40	N	o
Cuttack.	5th	10	29.720	29.726	85	82	87	S S W	8.3	0.40	N	o
	16	10	29.462	29.473	85	81	79	S	10.8	...	N	o
	6th	10	29.710	29.710	85	81	63	S	3.9	...	N	o
	16	10	29.718	29.724	87	81	78	K S E	11.0	...	N	o
	7th	10	29.718	29.724	86	82	83	K S E	8.7	0.10	N	o
	16	10	29.639	29.645	86	81	79	S S E	0.8	...	N	o
	8th	10	29.679	29.686	88	83	80	S E	4.8	...	N	o
	16	10	29.610	29.616	89	85	76	S E	6.8	...	N	o
	2nd	10	29.514	29.604	84	75	64	E S E	11.2	0.10	CK	o
	16	10	29.444	29.676	84	79	79	S E	11.4	...	CK, K	o
Madras.	3rd	10	29.083	29.775	84	75	75	E S E	4.1	...	CK	o
	16	10	29.013	29.705	83	80	87	E S E	11.8	0.10	CK	o
	4th	10	29.708	29.701	91	78	80	K S E	0.20	...	CK	o
	16	10	29.618	29.711	91	78	80	K S E	13.3	0.10	CK	o
	5th	10	29.701	29.702	84	79	79	S E	6.8	...	CK	o
	16	10	29.606	29.606	81	79	91	S	11.2	0.30	CK	o
	6th	10	29.603	29.785	85	81	83	S E	4.6	...	CK, KS	o
	16	10	29.608	29.701	88	80	75	S	18.2	...	CK, KS	o
	7th	10	29.715	29.686	82	74	82	S E	5.1	...	CK, KS	o
	16	10	29.595	29.646	90	82	69	E	4.8	...	CK, K	o
Ceylon.	8th	10	29.671	29.764	80	75	91	S W	6.3	0.05	CK	o
	16	10	29.566	29.649	81	78	80	N E	4.3	...	KS	o
	1st	10	29.762	29.782	90	75	49	W by S	15	...	N	o
	16	10	29.603	29.609	94	75	39	S W by W	15	...	N	o
	2nd	10	29.709	29.709	88	74	04	W S W	12	0.06	N	cloudy.
	16	10	29.692	29.689	90	75	47	S W by W	11	...	N	cloudy.
	3rd	10	29.709	29.639	90	75	47	W by S	14	...	N	o
	16	10	29.696	29.716	95	76	38	W by S	13	...	N	o
	4th	10	29.692	29.692	89	75	52	W by S	13	...	N	o
	16	10	29.684	29.714	95	77	41	W by S	8	...	N	o
Africa.	5th	10	29.617	29.47	83	74	63	W S W	8	...	N	o
	16	10	29.720	29.75	87	70	58	W S W	2	...	N	o
	6th	10	29.699	29.699	90	75	78	W S W	6	0.10	N	o
	16	10	29.688	29.638	80	75	78	N N W	7.8	0.02	N	cloudy.
	7th	10	29.698	29.708	84	75	66	W S W	9	...	N	o
	16	10	29.743	29.772	87	78	66	E by S	7	...	N	o
	2nd	10	29.606	29.480	78	76	90	W	5.0	4.80	N	o
	16	10	29.618	29.441	81	78	80	W S W	7.5	...	N	o
	3rd	10	29.543	29.635	85	79	75	S S W	6.2	...	N	o
	16	10	29.486	29.567	83	79	83	S S W	5.1	...	N, S, C	o
Ceylon.	4th	10	29.624	29.707	82	60	91	W S W	1.7	...	N	o
	16	10	29.543	29.626	78	76	90	S S E	1.2	1.10	N	o
	5th	10	29.625	29.708	78	76	90	S S W	0.7	0.70	N	o
	16	10	29.548	29.631	87	77	86	S W	6.4	...	N	o
	6th	10	29.562	29.723	85	79	79	W N W	4.0	0.10	CK, C	o
	16	10	29.607	29.694	90	81	60	W N W	3.1	...	CK, C	o
	7th	10	29.659	29.721	90	80	75	W N W	2.9	0.40	CK, C	o
	16	10	29.555	29.606	90	81	66	W N W	2.4	...	K, N	o
	8th	10	29.609	29.691	86	81	79	S W	3.0	2.10	C, K	o
	16	10	29.478	29.557	86	83	78	E E	2.3	...	KS, N	o
Africa.	2nd	10	29.618	29.670	80	78	91	S S W	6.3	0.06	N	o
	16	10	29.606	29.670	77	78	95	S S W	6.5	1.10	N	o
	3rd	10	29.790	29.618	80	79	91	S S E	6.4	0.20	N	o
	16	10	29.715	29.737	83	79	87	S	4.6	0.70	N	o
	4th	10	29.824	29.846	79	78	95	S	5.8	1.10	N	o
	16	10	29.713	29.733	85	79	76	S	5.5	...	N	o
	5th	10	29.723	29.704	81	79	91	S	8.1	0.20	N	o
	16	10	29.677	29.694	83	80	87	S	5.8	0.70	N	o
	6th	10	29.786	29.818	82	80	91	E	3.7	0.20	N	o
	16	10	29.689	29.730	85	80	79	S	4.8	...	N	o
Africa.	7th	10	29.794	29.816	85	80	79	S S E	8.3	...	N	o
	16	10	29.612	29.612	84	80	80	S S W	6.0	...	N	o
	8th	10	29.766	29.767	79	78	95	N E	2.5	2.00	N	o
	16	10	29.610	29.636	83	79	83	E	4.0	...	N	o

* Velocity of wind in miles per hour.

CALCUTTA.
The 8th August 1874.W. G. WILLSON,
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Results of the Meteorological Observations taken at the Surveyor-General's Office, Calcutta, from 1st to 7th August 1874.

Month.	Date.	Mean reduced barometer.	THERMOMETER.			Mean dry bulb.	Mean wet bulb.	Computed mean dew point.	Mean degree of humidity.	Wind.			Bar. pressure.	Daily velocity.	Rain.	Moon's phase.	GENERAL REMARKS.
			Highest reading.	Lowest reading.	Max. solar radi.					Direction.	Force.	State.					
		Inches.	°	°	°	°	°	°									
Aug.	1st	29.489	86.5	78.0	139.0	81.9	79.1	77.1	0.80	S by W, E by S & E	1-5	121.8	...	...	...	...	Cirri, cumuli and cumuli. Brisk wind from S.W. to 11 P.M. Slightly foggy at midnight. Drizzled at 5 1/2, 9 1/2, 11 1/2 A.M. and 1 P.M.
	2nd	29.486	87.4	78.9	130.0	82.0	79.5	77.7	.87	E N E, E A & S E	4-10	124.6	...	...	...	...	Cirri cumuli, and overcast. Strong wind from S.W. to 6 P.M. slight rain at 4 1/2, 8 1/2, 11 1/2 A.M., 2 1/2 and 3 1/2 P.M.
	3rd	29.486	88.6	79.0	140.5	82.7	80.5	79.0	.80	S E, & S by E	1-10	120.0	...	...	...	...	Overcast, and cumuli. Thunder between 2 and 3 P.M. Rain at 4, 6 A.M., 1 1/2 and 2 1/2 P.M.
	4th	29.480	82.0	78.5	...	79.8	78.9	78.3	.95	S S E	1-10	109.6	...	...	...	...	Cirri and overcast. Thunder at 11 A.M. Slight rain after intervals.
	5th	29.483	88.0	78.0	140.0	82.1	79.9	78.4	.80	S S E & S	0-5	143.1	...	...	...	...	Overcast, cumuli and clear. Rain after intervals.
	6th	29.553	86.8	80.0	144.0	83.6	80.8	79.2	.90	S S E	...	150.3	...	...	...	...	Cumuli, and clear. Thunder at 3 P.M. Sheet lightning on west at 11 P.M. Slight rain at 7, 8, 12 1/2 A.M., and from 1 1/2 to 3 P.M.
	7th	29.600	90.0	79.5	141.2	83.3	80.6	78.5	.85	S S E & S E	...	162.0	...	...	...	...	Clear, cumuli and cirri. Sheet lightning from 02 to 11 P.M. Slight rain at 7 1/2 A.M. and 4 1/2 P.M.

The mean barometer, as likewise the dry and wet bulb thermometer means, are derived from the twenty-four hourly observations made during the day.

The dew-point is computed with the Greenwich constants. The figures in column 10 represent the humidity of the air, the complete saturation of which being taken at unity. The receiver of the lower rain gauge is 1 1/2 feet, and that of the anemometer 70 feet 10 inches above the level of the ground. The velocity of wind, as indicated by Robinson's anemometer, is registered from noon to noon.

The extreme variation of temperature during the past seven days	...	12.0
The maximum temperature during the past seven days	...	90.0
The maximum temperature during the corresponding period of the past year	...	92.0
The mean humidity during the past seven days	...	0.89
The mean humidity during the corresponding period of the past year	...	0.89
		Inches.
The total fall of rain from 1st to 7th	... { by lower rain gauge	2.90
	... { by anemometer gauge	2.65
Ditto ditto ditto, average of twenty previous years	...	3.47
Ditto ditto between the 1st January and the 7th August	...	27.69
Ditto ditto ditto, average of twenty previous years	...	40.64

GOPERNATH SEN,
In charge of the Observatory.

The 10th August 1874.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—BENGAL.

GENERAL ESTABLISHMENT.—No. 275.—The 10th August 1874.

Statement showing heights over mean sea-level and low water on Rivers Ganges, Bhagiruthoe, and Brahmapooter during the month of July 1874.

Date.	Miles.	RIVER GANGES.										RIVER BHAGIRUTHIE.				BRAHMAPOOTER.					
		Benares.		Buxar.		Dinapore.		Monghyr.		Sahabgunge.		Rampore Rauleah.		Goalando.		Berhampore.		Kishanhar.		Gowahatty.	
		From Benares.	From Benares.	From Buxar.	From Buxar.	From Dinapore.	From Dinapore.	From Monghyr.	From Monghyr.	From Sahabgunge.	From Sahabgunge.	From Rampore Rauleah.	From Rampore Rauleah.	From Goalando.	From Goalando.	From Berhampore.	From Berhampore.	From Kishanhar.	From Kishanhar.	From Gowahatty.	From Gowahatty.
Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.
1st	...	20.7	180.90	197.1	180.00	207.1	182.47	20.7	84.90	17.0	89.41	19.7	27.00	19.7	90.50	99.1	18.50	27.0	176.6	176.6	
2nd	...	19.2	180.44	18.6	180.50	19.2	181.35	21.0	89.00	18.4	89.25	19.2	24.35	19.2	90.44	18.6	19.12	27.0	176.6	176.6	
3rd	...	18.7	180.18	18.0	180.70	18.7	181.28	21.2	88.16	18.0	88.70	18.7	24.60	18.7	90.18	18.0	22.70	27.0	176.6	176.6	
4th	...	17.8	180.88	17.11	180.70	17.8	180.51	20.10	88.81	17.10	88.83	17.8	24.55	17.8	90.11	17.1	22.95	27.0	176.6	176.6	
5th	...	16.3	180.37	15.70	180.70	16.3	180.70	20.70	88.50	15.70	88.50	16.3	24.18	16.3	90.33	15.7	22.82	27.0	176.6	176.6	
6th	...	16.0	180.70	15.20	180.70	16.0	180.45	20.8	88.14	15.11	88.91	16.0	23.27	16.0	90.45	15.2	22.79	27.0	176.6	176.6	
7th	...	15.5	180.58	14.11	180.70	15.5	180.70	20.5	88.41	14.0	88.96	15.5	23.15	15.5	90.11	14.1	22.79	27.0	176.6	176.6	
8th	...	14.9	180.07	13.3	180.70	14.9	180.70	20.4	88.33	13.0	88.70	14.9	23.09	14.9	90.0	13.3	22.70	27.0	176.6	176.6	
9th	...	13.9	180.07	12.34	180.70	13.9	180.70	21.7	88.35	12.0	88.16	13.9	23.55	13.9	90.11	12.3	22.12	27.0	176.6	176.6	
10th	...	12.4	180.07	10.7	180.70	12.4	180.70	21.0	88.50	10.0	88.50	12.4	23.11	12.4	90.11	10.7	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
11th	...	11.0	180.07	9.0	180.70	11.0	180.70	21.0	88.50	9.0	88.50	11.0	23.11	11.0	90.11	9.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
12th	...	10.5	180.70	8.6	180.70	10.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	8.0	88.50	10.5	23.11	10.5	90.11	8.6	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
13th	...	9.5	180.70	7.1	180.70	9.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	7.0	88.50	9.5	23.11	9.5	90.11	7.1	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
14th	...	8.5	180.70	6.1	180.70	8.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	6.0	88.50	8.5	23.11	8.5	90.11	6.1	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
15th	...	7.5	180.70	5.1	180.70	7.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	5.0	88.50	7.5	23.11	7.5	90.11	5.1	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
16th	...	6.5	180.70	4.1	180.70	6.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	4.0	88.50	6.5	23.11	6.5	90.11	4.1	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
17th	...	5.5	180.70	3.1	180.70	5.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	3.0	88.50	5.5	23.11	5.5	90.11	3.1	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
18th	...	4.5	180.70	2.1	180.70	4.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	2.0	88.50	4.5	23.11	4.5	90.11	2.1	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
19th	...	3.5	180.70	1.1	180.70	3.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	1.0	88.50	3.5	23.11	3.5	90.11	1.1	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
20th	...	2.5	180.70	0.1	180.70	2.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	2.5	23.11	2.5	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
21st	...	1.5	180.70	0.0	180.70	1.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	1.5	23.11	1.5	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
22nd	...	0.5	180.70	0.0	180.70	0.5	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	0.5	23.11	0.5	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
23rd	...	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	0.0	23.11	0.0	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
24th	...	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	0.0	23.11	0.0	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
25th	...	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	0.0	23.11	0.0	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
26th	...	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	0.0	23.11	0.0	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
27th	...	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	0.0	23.11	0.0	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
28th	...	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	0.0	23.11	0.0	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
29th	...	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	0.0	23.11	0.0	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
30th	...	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	0.0	23.11	0.0	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	
31st	...	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	0.0	180.70	21.0	88.50	0.0	88.50	0.0	23.11	0.0	90.11	0.0	22.45	27.0	176.6	176.6	

J. E. T. NICOLAS, Colonel, R.E.
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal, P. W. Department.

Weekly Return of Traffic Receipts on Indian Railways.

NALHATI STATE RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ended 1st August 1874, on 27½ miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Total Traffic Receipts.	
	Number of Passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.	Total Traffic Receipts.	
Total for the week ...	1,510	Rs. A. P.	E. s. d.	Mds. Strs.	Rs. A. P.	E. s. d.
Or per mile of railway ...	44	854 0 0	62 8 0	11,416 0	415 0 0	51 6 0
For previous 4 weeks of half-year ...	4,193	2,307 0 0	3 0 0	450 0	20 0 0	3 0 0
Total for 8 weeks ...	5,603	4,161 0 0	415 2 0	11,866 0	2,386 0 0	948 16 0
(Comparison.)	1,818	890 15 1	80 19 6	2,077 10	194 7 3	18 10 11
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	44	35 0 4	3 6 0	98 10	0 14 8	0 13 10
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	6,023	4,294 4 3	476 8 9	14,746 10	1,260 11 0	121 13 0
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...						100 16 5
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...						3 18 10
Total year ...						2,09 11 5

CALCUTTA AND SOUTH-EASTERN STATE RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 1st August 1874, on 28 miles open.

Total traffic for the week ...	8,804	Rs. A. P.	E. s. d.	Mds. Strs.	Rs. A. P.	E. s. d.	E. s. d.
Or per mile of railway ...	211	256 4 0	13 4 0	13,454 0	476 0 0	40 18 0	135 4 8
For previous 4 weeks of half-year ...	22,592	3,607 0 0	216 13 0	31,006 0	1,083 0 0	156 16 0	475 10 0
Total for 8 weeks ...	29,486	4,890 0 0	394 15 0	65,470 0	1,607 0 0	180 14 0	598 12 0
(Comparison.)	4,883	724 16 6	73 9 10	12,153 0	506 2 9	36 0 4	109 10 2
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	135	26 0 11	2 12 6	451 0	12 13 10	1 5 2 1	3 10 3
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	21,351	3,037 10 0	323 15 0	94,747 0	1,077 10 0	307 15 4	671 10 7

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY—MAIN LINE.

Approximate Return of Traffic for Week ended 1st August 1874, on 1,240 miles open.

Total traffic for the week ...	94,430	Rs. A. P.	E. s. d.	Mds. Strs.	Rs. A. P.	E. s. d.	E. s. d.
Or per mile of railway ...	77,211	1,046,101 4 9	11,839 5 11	11,535,900 10	4,454 14 3 0	40,514 14 6	53,304 1 11
For previous 4 weeks of half-year ...	372,553	4,54,000 4 8	39,970 8 11	53,59,173 0	14,33,011 9 6	1,20,217 14 7	1,70,536 3 6
Total for 8 weeks ...	471,983	6,01,001 11 6	61,859 14 10	65,14,872 10	19,1,152 12 6	171,556 10 7	2,22,896 5 5
(Comparison.)	67,807	1,10,004 8 6	11,005 9 3	4,18,585 60	1,58,960 3 9	17,296 4 9	36,890 13 9
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	...	80 14 7	9 1 4	...	147 5 1	13 10 1	22 11 5
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	4,91,864	6,94,030 0 3	58,424 19 4	84,19,273 0	11,08,507 10 9	101,006 7 5	1,07,025 6 9

* Rs. 67,414 added on account of estimated proportion of freight on food-grains due by Government for this week.

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY—JEBELPORE LINE.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 1st August 1874, on 228½ miles open.

Total traffic for the week ...	8,300	Rs. A. P.	E. s. d.	Mds. Strs.	Rs. A. P.	E. s. d.	E. s. d.
Or per mile of railway ...	13,192	17,000 9 0	713 13 4	2,000 30	23,325 60 0	2,128 17 0	1,842 15 4
For previous 4 weeks of half-year ...	...	54,610 5 1	5,164 5 5	2,20,004 0	72,703 10 3	6,761 13 4	9,972 15 9
Total for 8 weeks ...	15,031	42,906 14 1	5,073 0 9	8,12,444 30	94,087 7 3	4,890 10 4	14,768 11 1
(Comparison.)	8,403	7,117 8 3	623 0 1	14,708 30	6,004 7 6	633 5 7	1,004 11 8
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	...	61 10 6	3 16 6	...	90 10 8	3 16 7	4 10 11
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	16,161	22,008 13 5	1,857 13 7	1,40,079 30	66,614 13 6	4,003 17 3	7,261 13 20

* Rs. 7,400 added on account of estimated proportion of freight on food-grains due by Government for this week.

EASTERN BENGAL RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for Week ended 1st August 1874, on 158½ miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.			MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.			Total Traffic Receipts.
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.		Weight carried.	Receipts.		
		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	
Total traffic for the week	26,628	77,668 11 0	1,696 18 0	164,728 11	20,988 7 3	2,854 1 4	4,324 12 8
Or per mile of railway	168	110 0 2	10 3 10	672 0	132 15 4	18 10 3	20 17 11
For previous 5 weeks of half-year	1,112,193	60,237 9 6	5,316 7 2	4,01,390 10	84,391 16 3	7,720 10 3	15,161 4 1
Total for 5 weeks	138,311½	77,668 4 8	7,318 8 2	5,66,828 21	1,13,245 6 6	10,880 10 0	17,463 18 8
COMPARISON.							
Total for corresponding week of previous year	59,659	17,634 14 6	1,616 16 9	91,975 0	20,296 6 2	1,268 11 2	3,884 1 1
Per mile of railway, corresponding week of previous year	506	119 10 11	10 6 7	886 0	130 4 0	11 18 10	22 1 3
Total to corresponding date of previous year	128,219½	72,535 8 6	6,876 12 4	4,03,327 15	82,801 7 10	7,590 2 2	24,398 11 1



SUPPLEMENT TO The Calcutta Gazette.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 1874.

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THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOTANICAL GARDENS FOR 1873-74.

RESOLUTION.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

AGRICULTURE AND FORESTS.

Calcutta, the 12th June 1874.

READ—

The Annual Report upon the Botanical Garden, Calcutta, for the year 1873-74.

In thanking Dr. King for this very interesting report, the Lieutenant-Governor regrets to notice that the prospects of the garden continue to be indefinitely compromised by the destruction of the large trees therein in the cyclones of 1864 and 1867. In addition to the disadvantage of an originally poor soil, there is now a want of shade in the garden, while the growth of the new plantations under Dr. Anderson's plan, was seriously hindered in the last season by the almost unprecedented failure of the rains. The Lieutenant-Governor agrees with Dr. King that it is essential to restore the shade that is so necessary in a tropical garden, both for the growth of the plants and for the comfort of visitors; and he notices with satisfaction the efforts that are being made in this direction. Attention is meanwhile being given to the culture of herbaceous plants in the conservatories, and to the collection of orchids and other flowering plants; and Dr. King's suggestion, that we should do something in the way of landscape gardening by the outlay of a little money for this purpose on the estate, is one which the Lieutenant-Governor hopes may be carried out as soon as the existing necessity for general economy shall have passed away.

We need not lose sight of the primary objects of the garden in so doing; and turning to its economic aspects, the Lieutenant-Governor is able to congratulate the Superintendent and his staff on the success which promises to attend their efforts to acclimatize *Ipecacuanha* in these provinces. His Honor observes from the earlier reports, that four years ago there were but twelve cuttings of the plant at the Cinchona gardens, and that of these seven were destroyed by an accident. From the report now before him he learns with great satisfaction that, under the mode of propagation by root and leaf-cuttings, so successfully worked by Mr. Jaffrey, there are now not fewer than 63,000 living plants in all.

His Honor notes with satisfaction also the expression of Dr. King's opinion, that no difficulty whatever is likely to be experienced in planting *Alahogasy* on a large scale in the districts of Lower Bengal. The statistics given

in the report of the immense size and the fine quality of the timber planted in the early days of our rule in these gardens and the surrounding neighbourhood, are very striking, and Sir Richard Temple desires that Dr. King's proposals for the systematic introduction of seeds from the West Indies may be effectually followed up. The Superintendent of the Garden has been asked to consult with the Conservator of Forests as to the precise steps to be taken to give effect to these recommendations.

Concerning the promotion of the growth of rubber in Bengal, the Lieutenant-Governor notices with interest the introduction by Dr. King, personally, on his return from Europe, of several plants of the *Hevea Brasiliensis*, or Para rubber tree. The very curious account which he has given of the parasitical nature of the indigenous *Ficus elastica*, invests the introduction of other rubber-yielding trees with much importance, and this part of the report will be brought to the special notice of the Chief Commissioner of Assam. Sir Richard Temple would suggest also to the Superintendent the propriety of attempting, if it has not already been attempted, to introduce the *Gutta percha* tree of Guiana, (*Sapota Mullerii*, Michx. *Mimusops Balota*, Gaert.); and would be glad to have a report from Dr. King at his early convenience on the possible acclimatization of this valuable tree in the littoral tracts of these provinces.

In future reports, the Lieutenant-Governor will be glad if the Superintendent will briefly bring up to date the history of the various experiments that have been made of late years in the garden with exotic cotton, Carolina rice, rheea, and other fibres, the fruit-trees planted in 1869, and the aquatic garden started by Mr. Scott in 1871. He would also like to have a list and description of the agricultural machinery now in the garden. With the organization of a scientific department of forestry, the opening of an Economic Museum in Calcutta, the contemplated establishment of a central Government dépôt for the selection and interchange of seed in the provinces, and the formation of a small department to superintend the experimental farms we are founding, His Honor wishes to see an end put to desultory and isolated efforts at advancement, and in place thereof, systematic sustained effort for developing the powers of the rich tropical soil of Bengal, without breach of continuity. Sir Richard Temple knows that he may count upon Dr. King's co-operation in these views, and is prepared to give all the assistance in his power to make the Botanic Garden, not a mere resort of the pleasure-seeker, but a means of more actively stimulating the development of our natural possessions and advantages. The Lieutenant-Governor thanks the Superintendent of the Garden and his staff, both here and at the Cinchona plantations, for their labours during the year under report; and Dr. Henderson also, for his efficient and valuable superintendence of both during Dr. King's absence.

By order of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal,

R. KNIGHT,

Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 36, dated Royal Botanical Gardens, the 28th April 1874.

From—GEORGE KING, Esq., M.B., Supdt., Royal Botanical Gardens, Calcutta,

To—The Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

I HAVE the honor to submit the report of the Royal Botanical Gardens for the year ending 31st March 1874.

2. *General Condition of the Garden.*—The growth of the general collection of trees and shrubs planted out to replace those broken and uprooted by the cyclones of 1864 and 1867, has not, since last report, been very luxuriant. In addition to the two abiding potent reasons for this, namely, poverty of soil and want of shade, there was added last season an insufficient rainfall. Efforts are being made to remedy the two first-mentioned conditions by planting nurse trees and manuring heavily. Shade in a tropical garden is quite as necessary for the growth of many plants as it is for the comfort of visitors. The condition of those gardens cannot, therefore, be considered satisfactory until there be protection enough from the sun to allow a thoroughly tropical tree, such as *Amherstia Nobiles* for instance, to live happily out of doors, and to permit visitors to walk without fear of sunstroke in any part of the garden even at mid-day. There were both possibilities in this garden prior to the cyclone of 1864, and no effort should be spared to restore this desirable state of things. Some time must, however, elapse before this can be, and there is the more reason why, in the meantime, increased attention should be given to the culture of herbaceous plants in conservatories. A new orchid-house has been built during the past year, and the old one has been thoroughly repaired. The collection of orchids is very good indeed, but might be much better if facilities were

given to me for the collection of orchids in parts of India other than Bengal. Burma and the Khasi Hills are both very rich in orchids as well as in other handsome flowering plants, and were I in funds to maintain a good collection in either or both of these, a magnificent set of plants might not only be brought together in this garden, but large numbers might be sent to Botanical Gardens in other parts of the world, from which in return new and valuable plants might be got. Every large garden in Europe has either such facilities for exchange or funds to purchase, and the magnificence of the collections at Kew, Vienna, St. Petersburg, and other places, is largely owing to this cause. Improvements have also been made in some of the other conservatories; a new propagating-house fitted with a flue to secure bottom heat, and several new hot beds on a smaller scale, have been erected. The present fern-house, which was built as an experiment some years ago, is much too small for the collection of these plants now in the garden. Experience in this house has proved that ferns can be grown very successfully in Calcutta. We have learnt what is wanted to secure these beautiful plants being in good condition all the year round, and I feel sure no addition to the garden would be more popular than a large new fern conservatory. In such a house, if properly built, tree ferns from Sikhim and the Nilgiris, as well as from Australia and New Zealand, could easily be grown in luxuriance. So large an extent of the garden being under grass, it is to be regretted that the quality of the latter is so coarse. The luxuriance of this grass is another of the numerous evil effects of the cyclone. It dislikes shade, and as long as the trees stood, it made no headway, but as soon as the shade was lost by the destruction of the trees, it began to take thorough possession of the soil, and I fear it cannot be eradicated until the trees have again grown up. At present it causes much trouble and expense, besides being unsightly. The mere cutting of it is costly, and when cut it is not readily saleable. Grazing is inadmissible, as cattle ruin young trees. Much would be gained were the grass-ground over the whole garden smooth enough to allow mowing machines to work; but levelling and smoothing are costly, and, with the present establishment, can be undertaken only at odd times, when labor can be spared. With a little money a great deal could be done in the way of landscape gardening. The Eden Garden in Calcutta affords an excellent example of what can be done in making even a level bit of ground look picturesque, and there is room in the grounds here for an Eden Garden on a large scale could funds be spared.

3. *Roads and Buildings.*—The new road from Bishop's College gate to the Cuba palm avenue is now approaching completion, and promises to be a fine addition to the garden drives. Some of the older roads are not in very good condition, but arrangements are being made for their repair. The new dwelling-house for the Assistant Curator, although sanctioned, has not yet been begun. The encroachments of the current on the riverbank during the year have been but slight. Some injury has, however, been done at places by the wash caused by tugs and other steamers passing along the river at a rapid rate. A separate communication has been addressed to Government on this subject.

4. *Ipecacuanha cultivation.*—A year ago there were 6,719 ipecacuanha plants of all sorts in Sikhim, and about 500 in the garden here. At present the stock is as follows:—

	Rs.
In Sikhim, planted out experimentally under various conditions...	292
Rooted plants, potted-off and under cover ...	18,000
Unrooted, and partially rooted cuttings...	50,000
	68,292
In Calcutta Botanical Garden ...	131
Total ...	68,423

Experience during the past year has confirmed the conclusion come to long ago by the late Dr. Anderson, Mr. C. B. Clarke, and Mr. Scott, that ipecacuanha will not answer in Calcutta either in the open sun or under shade. The cultivation has been practically confined to Sikhim, where it has been conducted chiefly by Mr. Jeffery of the Cinchona establishment, to whom is largely due the credit of its success. Having been carried on by the existing cinchona establishment, it has cost very little. Until the mode of propagating this plant by root and leaf-cuttings was discovered, progress was extremely slow. Since this discovery, as the figures just quoted prove, it has been proportionately rapid. It will be observed that, with the exception of 292 plants, all the Sikhim stock is under cover. Until quite recently, there were too few plants to permit of any number being risked out of doors, and all our efforts were directed to propagation only. The ulterior object of discovering under what conditions the plants could be successfully grown, as a crop was however never lost sight of, and during the year 1872, as many plants as could be spared, viz. 28, were planted out in various parts of the cinchona reserve and in the Darjeeling Terai. During the year 1873, a number more, bringing the total up to 292, were planted out in a similar manner. These have been under the observation of Mr. Gammie, the resident manager of the cinchona plantation, and I went to see most of them with Mr. Gammie in December last. Mr. Gammie and I quite agree that ipecacuanha cannot be successfully cultivated in Sikhim except in shady places. In open spots where it gets the full sun it soon becomes very sickly. It is essentially a tropical plant, and evidently prefers moist shady spots where there is much vegetable mould on the soil, and an equable, steamy atmosphere. If these conditions exist anywhere in the Eastern Himalayas, they are probably most attainable at an elevation of about 800 to 1,200 feet above the sea, in spots where the virgin forest remains uncut. A number of plants have been put out under such

conditions in the valley of the Ryang, a few miles above its junction with the Teesta. Some of these have done fairly well. I propose to plant out a number more this year with the view of arriving as soon as possible at some definite conclusion as to the suitability of any part of Sikkim for this cultivation. I fear the Terai is, from the extensive clearings for tea, becoming too dry for *ipecauanha*, and I do not propose to try any more there—the plants already planted not having succeeded so well as had been hoped. A few plants had been sent during the year to the Khasi Hills, and a hundred are about to be despatched to the Madras Government for trial on the garden at Barliar, a low lying, moist spot, in one of the valleys of the Nilgiris. I think some should be sent to the Andamans, Burma, and Ceylon, as also a further supply to the Khasias. It may be thought that with so many plants on hand as the returns show, planting out on a larger scale might have been already tried, but it must be remembered that *ipecauanha* is a plant of most peculiar habit and of very slow growth, and the great majority of the 13,000 rooted plants on hand are even yet small and unfit to take their chance in a plantation.

5. *Mahogany*.—During the year a considerable number of mahogany plants have been distributed. These were raised from seeds received from Honduras and Jamaica. There are, as Government is aware, a good many old mahogany trees about Calcutta. These, however, rarely yield seed, and our supplies are mostly derived from the West Indies and Honduras. Hitherto, I regret to say, these supplies have been scanty and irregular, and until some more definite arrangement for collection is made, there seems no prospect of their improving. I am strongly of opinion that, if it can be got in no other way, it would be worth while to hire a man specially to collect and transmit seeds to India. It has been abundantly proved that the tree will thrive in most parts of Bengal, and that the Indian-grown timber is valuable. There are fine trees of it also in the gardens at Saharunpore and Madras, and I have no doubt that it will grow admirably in almost any part of India in situations free from frost, and where a little moisture can be secured in very dry weather. For garden cultivation in most places on the plains of India, it is therefore suitable, and in districts like Lower Bengal, I see no difficulty in getting up plantations of it on a large scale and at a moderate cost. The mahoganies here which were spared by the cyclone are by far the finest trees of any sort the garden contains. They were planted about eight years ago, and at present, at a height of six feet from the ground, their girth runs from 8 to 11½ feet. Now the average girth of teak at 90 years of age is only about 6½ feet and that of all is less. As to the value of the timber, the following facts speak for themselves. A hundred and thirty logs obtained from trees blown down by the cyclone of 1864 were sold by auction in 1866, and fetched the ordinary market price of mahogany, and a Calcutta firm, engaged in timber and cabinet-making business, so long ago as the year 1846, reported to Government, that an immature sample submitted to them (taken from a tree about 50 years old) would, "if it had stood for a few years longer, have been equal to Honduras mahogany."

6. *India-rubber*.—In returning to this country from England in November last, I brought with me six plants of the Para rubber tree (*Hevea Brasiliensis*), which were given to me by Dr. Hooker, of Kew, to whom the gardens already owe so much. Para rubber is one of the finest sorts known in commerce, and in view of the possible early exhaustion of the rubber-yielding figs of Assam, the introduction to India of the plant producing it becomes a matter of some interest. The rubber of this country is obtained from fig-trees, most of which (at least in early life) are parasitical. These figs begin life by establishing themselves on the tops of other trees, along the trunks of which they send their twining aerial roots which ultimately reach the ground. In course of time the supporting trees are killed, but the figs remain and grow, often entirely obliterating their predecessors. It is from the long aerial roots of these figs that rubber is mostly got, and not from their branches. After a few severe tappings, a fig ceases to yield rubber from its roots. The number of mature rubber trees even in a country like Assam is limited, and it is easy to foresee their early exhaustion. It is true it is also easy to propagate these figs by cuttings, but plants produced from cuttings put into the soil cannot very well have aerial roots, and may consequently be expected to yield little, if any, rubber. The artificial formation of India-rubber plantations on the summits of tall forest trees is obviously impracticable on any large scale. The Para rubber tree has no such parasitic habits in early life. The white juice, which on hardening forms crude rubber, is yielded freely by all parts of the plant, which moreover promises to be one easy of propagation. Already Mr. Lister, the Assistant Curator, has been able to raise a few plants from cuttings taken from the six sent by Dr. Hooker. Before another year is over I hope to be able to report a considerable increase.

7. *Sweet Chestnuts*.—The transport of fleshy seeds, such as the chestnut, to any distance is a matter of great difficulty. I have seen several importations of chestnuts arrive from England without containing one good seed. Dr. Henderson, while acting for me, arranged for a supply of chestnuts being sent from Italy. Two boxes were accordingly lately received from Brindisi, and in excellent order. The most of the nuts were at once sent to Sikkim and the Khasi Hills, where they have germinated well. A few retained here have also germinated. I have little doubt the success of this Italian importation depends very greatly on the comparatively dry climate (compared to that of England) in which the nuts were gathered and packed; it is also, doubtless, due partly to the shorter voyage. The sweet chestnut will make a very valuable addition to the food-supply of the hill districts, if it can be got to grow freely.

8. *Interchange of living plants*.—Besides the India-rubber plants already referred to, the garden has been enriched by other valuable plants sent by Dr. Hooker, of the Royal Garden, Kew. The gardens at Mauritius and Singapore have also contributed, and so has

Mr. W. H. Ball, of Chelsea. Among Indian contributions, those of Dr. Jameson of the Botanical Garden, Sabarunpore, have been most extensive. Plants to the number of 12,812 have been distributed from the garden during the year. These were mostly taken away by the indentors. A hundred and five boxfulls were however sent by rail and steamer to various parts of India, and eleven Wardian cases filled with plants were sent to foreign countries.

9. *Interchange of seeds.*—The most important contributors during the year have been—Dr. Hooker, C.B.F.R.S., Kew; Dr. Thwaites, F.R.S., of the Ceylon Botanical Garden, Ceylon; Baron Von Muller, F.R.S., Melbourne; Dr. Regel of the Imperial Garden, St. Petersburg; and the admirably conducted Acclimatization Society of Queensland, Australia. The Secretary of this Society, Mr. Bernays, has done a great work for his own colony by his ind-fatigable efforts for the introduction of plants of economic value, and this garden is much indebted to his energy and liberality for many gifts of valuable seeds. Mr. C. A. B. Anderson, of Kolibier, Assam, has collected a quantity of forest seeds in the jungles adjoining his plantation; some of these have arrived, and are most valuable. Tea planters and others, located near forests, might render immense assistance by collecting for the garden. The Conservators of Forests of the Punjab and North-West Provinces, as well as Dr. Bonavia, of Lucknow, have sent important contributions. Altogether 718 parcels of seeds have been received, and there have been distributed to India and to various parts of the world 2,532 parcels of seeds. The number of parcels receive and sent out does not, however, give a very accurate idea of the actual quantity of seed, as many of the parcels weighed as much as a hundredweight; detailed lists both of seed and plant distribution are sent as an appendix to this report. The scheme of collection of seeds by the Forest Department proposed by me two years ago, having received the sanction and support of the Government of India, has begun to be carried out; some time, however, must elapse before it gets into good working order.

10. *Herbarium.*—During the year the undernoted donations of dried plants were received:—

A. L. Home, Esq., plants from the Soonderbuns—20 species; Dr. F. Hance, a collection of Chinese and other plants—400 species; Baron F. O. Muller, Australian plants, chiefly *Euphorbiaceae* and *Proteaceae*—200 species; A. L. Home, Esq., plants from eastern parts of the Soonderbuns—50 species; a collection of Bavarian plants, chiefly from Munien, of the late Dr. Kummer—300 species, presented by the Curator (Mr. Kurz); A. L. Home, Esq., a collection of Andaman plants—92 species; Dr. W. Schlieben, a few Khasi Hill plants; C. B. Clarke, Esq., a few Indian *Gentianaceae*.

Thanks to the exertions of the Curator, Mr. S. Kurz, the collections are excellently arranged, and in good condition. There are still, however, many Indian plants of which good specimens do not exist in the Herbarium, but I trust in course of time to be able to remove this.

11. *Library.*—In accordance with the orders of Government, indents for books and periodicals are now submitted through Government for execution at the India Office, London. During the past year some books, indented for in July 1871 (*i.e.*, nearly three years ago), were duly received; the indents sent in by me in July 1872 and September 1873 remain, however, still entirely unaccomplished with.

12. *Official changes.*—Owing to the continued absence of Mr. Scott, on special duty in the opium districts, the office of Curator of the garden remained vacant for the first eight months of the year, and Mr. Lister, the Assistant Curator, single-handed, did the work of that appointment in addition to his own. In the end of October Mr. Beck, late of the Omraotee cotton farm, was sent to act as Curator. On 6th March Mr. Beck was retransferred to the Cotton Department, and his place was taken by Mr. A. Parsons. I returned from sick furlough to England, and resumed charge of my appointment on 5th November from Dr. George Henderson, who had been acting for me.

13. In conclusion, my best thanks are due to Mr. Kurz for his admirable management of the Herbarium. Mr. Kurz, besides his own work, has been engaged on special duty in preparing a *Flora* of Burmah for the Forest Department. My acknowledgments are also due to Mr. Lister for the energy in which he conducts his own duties, as also for the way in which he appears to have managed the whole garden during the first eight months of the year. The native establishment in the office have also worked well.

APPENDIX A.

Seeds received from the 1st April 1873 to the 31st March 1874.

From whom received.	Number of parcels.	From whom received.	Number of parcels.
Baron Muller, Melbourne	39	W. Ball, Esq., London	27
Acclimatization Society, Queensland, Australia	78	J. C. Hayne, Esq.,	1
Joint Commissioner, Calcutta	100	J. Scott, Esq., Bangalore	3
Dr. Haussmann, Lahore	17	John Stiskart, Esq., Calcutta	2
Commissioner of Burma	15	A. H. Hecchyden, Esq., Agri-Horticultural Society, Calcutta	9
Dr. Regel, St. Petersburg, Russia	23	—Worthie, Esq., Alipore	1
Government Cinchona Plantations, Bangalore, Darjeeling	133	Conservator of Forests, Punjab	14
Superintendent of Police, Mooltan	5	Agri-Horticultural Society, Madras	13
Agri-Horticultural Gardens, Lucknow	40	Dr. Thwaites, Conservator Garden, Ceylon	5
James Taylor, Esq., Ceylon	1	Colonel Lanthe, Jubulpore	1
Dr. Hooker, Botanical Garden, Kew	55	Dr. Tannier, Calcutta	13
Botanical Garden, Sabarunpore	25	C. A. B. Anderson, Esq., Assam	3
J. Home, Esq., Mauritius	7	Inspector-General of Forests	1
Dr. Scheffer, Botanical Garden, Java	73	Government Garden, Hong-Kong	1
Superintendent of Jail, Mooltan	3		
Rama Varma, Travancore	3		
Colonial Secretary, British Honduras	2		
		Total	718

APPENDIX B.

Seeds Despatched from 1st April 1873 to 31st March 1874.

To whom supplied.	Number of packets.	To whom supplied.	Number of packets.
F. A. Herwick, Esq., Calcutta	33	W. M. Bull, Esq., London	10
Herd. Mr. C. G. Bishop's College, Seelapore	30	Governor-General's Palace, Calcutta	30
Government Experimental Farm, Baraset	73	M. A. Halup, Esq., Simla	65
Eden Garden, Calcutta	1	R. Jameson, Esq., M.A., Allahabad	10
Captain Joyce, Munir Gwalior	35	P. M. Loecher, Esq., Calcutta	31
Lieutenant Colonel Holden, Tinsay	1	M. H. Dutt, Esq., Binsapore	7
Government Cinnamon Plantations, Ranghoo, Darjeeling	243	J. M. Butt, Esq., Darjeeling	50
John Scott, Esq., Rankipore	48	Mr. Price, Calcutta	21
Messrs. Cassella & Co., Calcutta	8	Officer in Command, Her Majesty's 64th Light Infantry, Fyzabad	25
Secretary to the Estates of the Panch, Calcutta	1	R. Daly, Esq., Calcutta	8
C. F. Albany, Esq., Forest Department, Goruckpore	10	Superintendent of Jail, Shillong	60
R. Graham, Esq., Darjeeling	1	J. W. Hughes, Esq., Superintendent of Jail, Nowgong, Assam	50
R. Adam, Esq., Sambur Lake, Jaypore	2	Agri-Horticultural Society, Lahore	110
Agri-Horticultural Society of India, Calcutta	103	A. R. Thomson, Esq., Shimla, Seelapore	1
Dr. Hooker, Royal Gardens, Kew	13	W. R. Errington, Esq., Barrackpore	1
J. Gaudle, Esq., Forest Department, Siligore	1	C. A. B. Anderson, Esq., Assam	3
The Proprietor of Mohlah Estate, Debraughur	1	W. B. Freeman, Esq., Model Farm, Shillong	55
Botanic Garden, Mauritius	6	Dr. Bonavia, Lucknow	7
Botanic Garden, Natal	14	Dr. Janczau, Superintendent, Botanic Garden, Saharanpore	10
— — — — — Russel, Esq., Kishnupore	21	Professor Halfour, Edinburgh	7
Reed, W. M.D., Darjeeling	1	Bahoo Bismahur Ghose, Botanic Garden, Calcutta	12
Superintendent, Cotton Experiments, Camp Salara, Sunde	1	W. Lloyd, Esq., Superintendent, Model Farm, Unrisur	3
Rain Flown Garden, Jaypore	36	Secretary, Queensland Acclimatization Society, Brisbane, Australia	12
Messrs. Jules Debeck and Son, Grand, Belgium	5	Colonial Secretary, Wellington, New Zealand	10
Messrs. Thomas Long and Co., Ballarat	10	Dr. Prentis, Civil Surgeon, Goruckpore	103
Messrs. Hage and Schmidt, Neuwamen, Eriurt	32	G. Branning, Esq., St. Kilda Nursery, near Melbourne, Victoria, Australia	1
E. Lockwood, Esq., Government Experimental Garden, Maugby	11	Dr. Dickon, Professor of History, Aberdeen	6
Henry Hudson, Esq., Deputy Commissioner, Hazaribagh	5	Dr. McKenzie, Presidency Jail, Calcutta	1
Dr. Lynch, Superintendent, Alipore Jail	8	A. Collins, Esq., Akola	30
Brigadier-General W. J. Stafford, Shillong, Eastern Frontier District	50	Agri-Horticultural Society, Bangalore	1
R. J. Quinell, Esq., M.D., Gwalior, Punjab	68	— — — — — Bombay	1
J. J. Humbling, Esq., Principal, Government College, Ajmere	25	— — — — — Raigoon	1
Secretary, Municipal Committee, Ajmere	60	W. J. Williamson, Esq., Deputy Commissioner, Garo Hills	1
A. Bister, Esq., Noidad	7	J. Beck, Esq., Nagpore	31
N. Clarke, Esq., Secretary, Municipal Committee, Lahore	25	H. C. Wood, Esq., Durrander, Brisbane, Australia	6
A. Smith, Esq., Onid	6	Botanic Garden, Melbourne, Australia	6
E. Elliot, Esq., Assistant Commissioner, Calcutta	13	— — — — — Adelaide, Australia	5
G. Robinson, Esq.,	12	Dr. Thwaites, Botanic Garden, Ceylon	6
Captain Cowper, Garden Reach	12	Messrs. Benjamin, Reid & Co., Aberdeen, Scotland	6
J. George, Esq., Hivwar	9	Dr. Reichenbach, Botanic Garden, Hanburg	6
Major J. & Hyer, R.A., Umritsur	30	M. Mathien, Nancy, France	6
Deputy Commissioner, Shillong	4	Professor Regel, Botanic Garden, St. Petersburg, Russia	6
R. Morris, Esq.,	30	Professor Todaro, Botanic Garden, Palermo, Sicily	6
J. J. Montebell, Esq., Civil Assistant Surgeon, Cachar	150	Professor Martens, Botanic Garden, Montpellier, France	6
Charles Harold, Esq., Simla	30	Professor Parlato, Botanic Garden, Italy	6
Bahoo N. N. Roy Chowdry	70	Colonel Taylor	50
Major W. Waman, Agri	21		
C. Senoo, Esq., Superintendent of Jail, Midnapore	31		
James Macnah, Esq., Edinburgh	8		
		Total	3,533

APPENDIX C.

A statement of Plants sent out from the Royal Botanical Garden, Calcutta, from 1st April 1873 to 31st March 1874.

	Wardian cases.	Boxes.	Number of plants.
Total	11	105	12,812

APPENDIX D.

Plants received at the Royal Botanical Garden, Calcutta, from 1st April 1873 to 31st March 1874.

Month.	Date.	From.	Wardian cases.	Boxes.	Number of plants.
April 1873.	18	E. Panbether, Bangalore .....	.....	.....	12
		E. Peel, Esq., Assam .....	.....	.....	6
May	10	Agri-Horticultural Society, Singapore	1	.....	1
June	2	Royal Botanic Garden, Mauritius	1	.....	26
August	27	W. Bull, Esq., London .....	.....	.....	67
September	12	M. Cooke, Esq., Simla .....	.....	One packet	233
November	4	G. Light, Calcutta .....	.....	.....	14
		Dr. Beaumont, Indore .....	.....	.....	3 varieties of geranium.
December	13	Royal Botanic Garden, Kew	2	1	84
	26	Royal Botanic Garden, Mauritius	1	.....	51
		Royal Botanic Garden, Saharanpore .....	.....	.....	62
1874.					
January	18	Dr. Beaumont, Indore .....	.....	.....	10
	21	D. L. Barr, Esq. .....	.....	30 pots	18
February	17	Dr. Bonavia, Lucknow .....	.....	.....	50 rose-cuttings.
		Total	6	1	535

APPENDIX E.

Plants despatched from April 1873 to March 1874.

Month.	Date.	To.	Wardian cases.	Boxes.	Number of plants.
1873.					
May	6	Captain Calvert, Ship London			27
June	10	General Assembly's Institution			87
	16	—Sutherland, Esq.			46
	16	J. Gamble, Esq., Cinchona Cultivation, Darjeeling	1	1	200
	23	Bahadur B. N. Sen			51
	27	J. Gamble, Esq., Forest Department, Darjeeling			50
	30	A. Somerville, Esq., Calcutta			58
	30	—Thompson, Esq., Sallinum Ropery, Seebpore			12
July	3	Bahadur G. D. Bysack			40
	19	—Williamson, Esq.			81
	22	Experimental Farm, Baraset			1,000*
	23	Agri-Horticultural Society, Alipore			203
	24	H. S. Bendon, Esq., Deputy Commissioner, Hazareebagh			9
	25	Ram Hawas, Public Garden, Jeypore		6	126
	25	Captain J. C. Doveton, Conservator of Forests, C. P. Nagpore			12
	28	Superintendent of Jail, Mambhoom			20
	28	Superintendent, Port Blair			15
	28	Colonel R. N. Playfair, Her Majesty's Consul, Algiers		6	148
	29	Horo Nauth Banerjee, Nazir, Howrah			2
	29	C. H. Denham, Esq.			1
	30	Captain Newton, Howrah			60
	31	Government House, Calcutta			21
August	1	Captain Newton, Howrah			37
	1	Agri-Horticultural Society, Alipore			9
	2	Secretary, Calcutta Municipality, Dalhousie Square			61
	4	Dr. Payne, Lunatic Asylum			70
	6	Captain Cowper			12
	6	Agri Horticultural Society, Alipore			727
	6	Dr. Tunnier			46
	6	Indian Museum			16
	7	George Bartlett, Esq.			9
	7	Mr. Barr, Hastings			2
	7	Bengal Club			190
	8	T. H. Turner, Esq., Garden Reach			100
	8	Indian Museum			50
	9	H. L. Houghton, Garden Reach			16
	11	Captain C. Garbett, Deputy Commissioner, Singbloom			111
	11	William Bull, Esq.	1		125
	11	Ram Hawas, Public Garden, Jeypore	6		98
	13	A. V. Knyvett, Esq., Chittagong		13	318
	12	Secretary to the Government, North-Western Provinces, Allahabad		2	100
	15	Bahadur G. D. Bysack, Howrah			12
	15	Dr. Tunnier, Agri-Horticultural Society			46
	15	R. Murris, Esq., Garden Reach			305
	15	G. C. Chatterjee, Seebpore			4
	15	Dr. Law, Calcutta, Garden Reach			16
	15	C. C. Harold, Esq., Deputy Controller, Military Works, Simla			12
	15	Dr. R. Jamieson, Superintendent, Jail, Alipore		2	50
	18	Mr. S. A. Shirore			12
	19	Dr. Beaumont, Indore		1	27
	19	Reverend C. Baumann, Cathedral Mission College, Calcutta			200
	19	Dr. R. Jamieson, Allahabad		2	80
	19	Captain J. C. Doveton, Nagpore		1	30
	19	Colonel W. W. Osborn, Political Agent in Bhopal, Sehore			20
	20	Agri-Horticultural Society's Garden			126
	20	Lieutenant Collins, Fort William			202
	23	Mr. G. Barr, Hastings			4
	23	A. Murray, Monghyr			200
	23	R. Clarke, Esq., Secretary, Municipal Committee, Lahore		1	21
	24	Dr. Bonavia, Lucknow		1	16
	25	Celone E. T. Dalton, Belvedere			16
	28	A. Yule, Esq.			64
	28	R. Murris, Esq., Garden Reach			100
	30	C. R. Robinson, Esq., Hastings			60
	2	R. Clerk			36
September	3	Colonel H. Hyde, Master of the Mint, Calcutta			78
	4	W. M. Smith, Esq., Extra Assistant Commissioner, Nya Doonka		2	57
	4	C. R. Robinson, Hastings			57
	5	S. B. Chatterjee			6

* Cuttings.

APPENDIX E.—(Continued.)

Month.	Date.	To	Wardian cases.	Bones.	Number of plants.
1873.					
September...	5	Baboo O. L. Bose	...	...	36
"	5	Colonel C. Murray, Secretary, Government Garden, Monghyr	...	...	50
"	10	Baboo K. B. Mullick	...	...	18
"	12	For the Executive Engineer, Caragolah	...	...	50
"	15	Baboo H. N. Doss	...	...	13
"	15	" B. L. Doss	...	...	30
"	15	Mr. Bartlett	...	...	48
"	15	Colonel Hyde, Master of the Mint, Calcutta	...	...	50
"	16	Baboo K. K. Haldar, Cooch Behar	...	...	42
"	16	Dr. Irving, Allahabad	...	4	200
"	17	Hon'ble L. S. Jackson	...	...	123
"	18	G. S. Fagnn, Calcutta	...	...	43
"	18	Mr. Day, Calcutta	...	...	50
"	20	W. M. Bell, Calcutta	...	...	12
"	20	Baboo J. B. Banerjee	...	...	23
"	20	Justice Macpherson	...	...	30
"	20	Baboo N. C. Mookerjee	...	...	40
"	20	Harold, Esq., Simla	...	...	120
"	20	Baboo N. N. Chowdhry	...	...	100
"	24	" B. N. Ghose	...	...	4
"	24	R. C. Sen, Serampore	...	...	1
"	25	R. G. Watling, Allahabad	...	...	5
"	26	Baboo R. N. Mookerjee	...	...	4
October	6	H. Price, Esq., Calcutta	...	...	66
"	6	J. Bridgnell, Esq., Howrah	...	...	61
"	6	Baboo T. P. Banerjee	...	...	12
"	11	W. Ainsworth, Esq., Seepore	...	...	40
"	13	Baboo Grish Chunder Haldar	...	...	3
"	15	" Gour Dass Bysack	...	...	50
"	17	Chief Commissioner, British Burmah	...	8	34
"	17	Major W. M. Watson, Agra	...	3	150
"	18	Port Blair	...	...	15
"	18	Messrs. Burnside and Co., Rangoon	...	...	50
"	18	Major F. Pollock, Gowhaty	...	...	41
"	18	W. D. Ireland, Esq., Burmah	...	1	100
"	20	W. Burbiss, Esq., Calcutta	...	...	17
"	21	A. R. Medlycott, Howrah	...	...	74
"	24	Major H. Waller, Monghyr	...	...	44
"	24	F. Bridgnell, Esq., Howrah	...	1	40
"	24	Rev. Jarbo, St. John's Church, Calcutta	...	...	100
"	28	Landale, Esq., Australia	...	...	1
"	28	Rev. Jamieson, Allahabad	...	3	141
"	29	J. H. C. Powell, Seepore	...	...	24
November	1	J. B. Seaton, Esq., Rangoon	...	1	24
"	1	Alex. T. Craig, Rangoon	...	1	30
"	1	Dr. H. Friendlander, Oriental Medical Hall, Rangoon	...	1	36
"	4	R. Murris, Esq., Calcutta	...	...	62
"	4	Dr. Bard, Howrah Hospital	...	...	300
"	8	Mr. Barr, Hastings	...	...	61
"	8	Abdoolgoni Kazeer	...	...	2
"	10	G. H. Madge, Calcutta Mint	...	...	30
"	11	Mr. Lowther, Howrah	...	...	36
"	15	J. Hughes, Esq., Superintendent, Jail, Assam	...	1	30
"	21	Superintendent of Jail, Beerbhoom	...	1	24
"	24	Port Blair	...	...	50
"	24	Dr. G. Bonavia, Lucknow	...	...	22
"	24	Shaharunpore Botanic Garden	...	...	105
"	24	Simla	...	...	26
"	24	C. A. B. Anderson, Esq., Assam	...	8	183
"	27	Baboo J. B. Mookerjee	...	...	7
"	27	" B. L. Sen	...	...	6
"	28	J. C. Carey and Co., Medilah Tea Estate, Debrooghur, Assam	...	1	32
"	28	J. Seane, Superintendent, Jail, Goalpara, Assam	...	4	77
"	29	H. Cowper, Garden Reach	...	...	1
"	29	R. Murris	...	...	29
December	5	Dr. Simons, Seerbsaugur, Assam	...	...	25
"	8	G. Martin, Esq., Howrah	...	...	40
"	9	G. T. Peppy, Esq., Hazareebagh	...	20	330
"	11	Dr. Lynch, Superintendent of Jail, Alipore	...	...	12
"	11	Dr. Bonavia, Secretary, Agri-Horticultural Society, Lucknow	...	1	18
"	11	E. B. Browne, Esq., Secretary, Agri-Horticultural Society, Lahore	...	1	21
"	11	S. Bayley, Esq., c.s., Commissioner, Patna	...	1	15
"	13	Dr. Jarbo, St. James' Parsonage, Calcutta	...	...	100
"	18	Mr. Freeman, Shillong	...	...	19

APPENDIX E.—(Concluded.)

Month.	Date.	To	Wardian cases.	Bones.	Number of plants.
1873.					
December	14	C. Browne, Midnapore	...	7	207
"	14	Baboo L. N. Das, Nuddea Zillah	...	...	5
"	29	Raja Rajoomar	...	...	16
"	29	Dr. Beaumont, Indore	...	...	13
"	30	John Levett, Esq., Staffordshire	...	...	27
"	30	E. Clarke, Esq.	...	...	66
1874.					
January	2	Captain Cowper	...	...	16
"	3	P. Fleet, Esq., Howrah	...	...	39
"	6	Dr. Woodford, Shields House	...	...	73
"	6	R. Murris, Garden Reach	...	...	5
"	6	Kally Narayan Dass, Goalpara	...	...	6
"	6	S. Sagnell, Seretol	...	...	30
"	6	Baboo Doyal Chunder Chatterjee	...	...	19
"	6	Government House	...	...	14
"	8	Agri-Horticultural Society	...	...	73
"	8	" " " Alipore	...	...	145
"	8	Hon'ble Justice Jackson, Alipore	...	...	25
"	8	Campbell Hospital, Sealdah	...	...	28
"	17	Dr. Bonavia, Lucknow	...	...	25
"	17	A. O. Hume, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India	...	...	47
"	19	Mr. Pallant	...	...	19
"	19	" " Coggan	...	...	52
"	26	" " Alder	...	...	20
"	30	J. Phillips, Esq., Allahabad	...	...	24
"	31	Dr. Bonavia, Lucknow	...	2	73
"	31	C. W. Collins	...	...	30
February	2	Col. Keatinge, Shillong	...	2	89
"	3	Dr. Beaumont, Indore	...	...	18
"	10	Baboo B. L. Chowdhry	...	...	15
"	11	G. E. W. Allen, "The Club," Allahabad	...	3	36
"	11	Captain Vanstone, Ship <i>Ararat</i>	...	...	27
"	12	" " "	...	...	20
"	12	A. B. F. Thomson, Esq.	...	...	10
"	12	Hughes, Esq., Calcutta	...	...	30
"	12	D. L. Barr, Esq.	...	...	12
"	18	Barrackpore Park	...	...	62
"	20	Col. Murray, Monghyr	...	...	40
"	20	Dr. Bard, Howrah	...	...	25
March	7	Baboo N. S. Bannerjee	...	...	11
"	7	Fort William	...	...	165*
"	11	A. T. Murns, Esq.	...	...	100
"	13	—Houghton, Esq.	...	...	18
"	16	Captain Williamson	...	...	13
"	17	H. E. C. Bayley	...	...	28
"	25	Baboo A. T. Chatterjee	...	...	1
"	25	C. B. Clarke, Esq., Calcutta	...	...	30
"	26	R. Jamieson, Esq., Government Garden, Ootacamund	...	...	46
"	26	W. S. Atkinson, London	...	...	46
"	26	Dr. Hooker, c.s., Royal Botanic Garden, Kew	...	...	46
"	26	Dr. Reitenbach, Hamburgh	...	...	46

* Cuttings.

E. KING, Superintendent.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT OF THE BURDWAN MUNICIPALITY FOR THE YEAR 1873-74.

No. 341, dated Burdwan, the 31st July 1874.

From—C. T. BUCKLAND, Esq., Commissioner of the Burdwan Division,
To—The Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Judicial Department.

I HAVE the honor to submit the Administration Report of the Burdwan Municipality for the year 1873-74. The report is so clear and detailed that it requires no remarks from me except to endorse the favourable mention of the Secretary to the Municipality, Mr. Sherman.

2. The general report on the municipalities and townships, with the returns of income, and expenditure, will be submitted hereafter.

Dated Burdwan, the 1st May 1874.

From—E. H. WHINFIELD, Esq., Chairman of the Burdwan Municipality,
To—The Commissioner of the Burdwan Division.

I HAVE the honor to submit on behalf of the Municipal Commissioners of the town of Burdwan the Administration Report of the Municipality for the past official year 1873-74.

2. At the commencement of the year under review the Municipal Committee was made up of 15 members in the proportion of 9 Natives to 6 Europeans. At its close the Committee consisted of 7 Europeans and 9 Natives, viz.:

Mr. C. T. Buckland,	...	Commissioner (ex-officio Member).
" E. H. Winfield,	...	Magistrate, ex-officio Chairman.
" J. Cockburn,	...	Dist. Supdt., Police (ex-officio Member).
" W. H. Nightingale,	...	Executive Engineer ditto.
" E. H. Ruddock,	...	Joint-Magistrate (Vice-Chairman).
" R. T. Sevestre,	...	Deputy Magistrate.
Dr. J. G. French,	...	Civil Surgeon.
Baboo Ram Lal Monkerjee,	...	Pleader.
" Bonomalee Mookerjee,	...	Ditto.
" Parunundo Mookerjee,	...	Secretary, Educational Committee.
" Muddon Mohun Tewaree,	...	Zemindar.
" Brijo Lal Tewaree,	...	Ditto.
" Muddon Lal Burmon,	...	Ditto.
" Bhoobun Mohun Chatterjee,	...	Medical Practitioner.
" Jagadbundhu Mitra,	...	Ditto.
" Kasseo Nath Dass,	...	Tradesman.

3. During the year the following changes occurred:—Mr. Pryce, Station Master, was appointed a Commissioner in January, but left the station the following month; Dr. French and Baboo Jagadbundhu Mitra were also appointed in January and are still present; Baboo Gopee Nath Shaha died in December.

4. The provisions of Section 17 of the Municipal Act, with reference to the convening of bi-monthly meetings for the transaction of business, continue to be enforced whenever there is business for transaction.

5. For the purposes of business 11 Ordinary and 4 Special Meetings were convened during the year. Appendix A gives the attendance of the Commissioners at those meetings. On four occasions the absence of *quorums* prevented the transaction of business.

6. Special Meetings were called for the following reasons:—(1) 13th October.—To consider the question of completing the water works with reference to an offer of Government to grant a further donation of Rs. 10,000 towards that object. (2) 13th November.—To consider and pass the Municipal Budget for the year 1874-75. (3) 15th December.—To reconsider the Budget revised with reference to an intimation received from Government that the proposed donation would not be granted during the year 1874-75. (4) 26th January.—To consider and confirm the report of the Finance Sub-Committee for the quarter ending the 31st December 1873.

7. The following subjects were considered by Sub-Committees, and their reports subsequently laid before meetings and adopted:—

CONSERVANCY.

The whole question of the conservancy of the river Banka and the framing of a bye-law with respect to it.

FINANCE.

The quarterly audits of the Municipal accounts.

8. In addition to the above, the Legal Sub-Committee was requested to consider certain questions relating to the collection of house-rate, but have not yet submitted its report.

INCOME.

9. The income of the year was estimated at Rs. 60,370. The financial results are exhibited in the following statement:—

DETAILS.	Estimates.	Actuals.	Excess.	Deficit.	REMARKS.
	Rs.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Cash balance	4,670	4,878 5 4	208 5 4		
House-rate	41,000*	38,537 6 0		1,462 10 0	* Includes Rs. 352-4-9 arrears of past years.
Wheel tax	2,300	1,898 12 0		406 4 0	
Registration fees	1,600	1,211 8 0		388 8 0	
Tolls and ferries	3,000	1,825 0 0		1,175 0 0	
Fines	1,200	906 10 0		293 6 0	
Miscellaneous	6,700	16,789 2 3	10,089 2 3		
Total	60,370	67,089 11 7	10,295 7 7	3,635 12 0	

10. From the above statement it will be seen that the actual receipts of the year exceed the estimate by Rs. 6,669-11-7. This is due almost entirely to extraordinary receipts which have been credited under the head of *Miscellaneous*, and which will be treated on hereafter.

I proceed to notice in detail the several items of income.

11. *House-rate*.—The subjoined tabular statement explains the *house-rate* collections:—

DETAILS.	Demand.	Collections.	Remissions.	Arrears.	REMARKS.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Arrears of 1871-72	53 2 0	32 5 0	3 10 0	17 3 9	* Detail of remissions:—
Ditto of 1872-73	299 2 0	187 8 0	47 0 3	64 9 9	Vacancy 635 8 6
1st Qr., 1873-74	10,169 0 3	9,890 14 6	255 6 0	16 11 9	Returned 395 15 3
2nd " " " " " " " "	10,145 7 0	9,819 6 8	300 10 0	25 6 6	Poverty 36 14 6
3rd " " " " " " " "	10,084 9 6	9,804 2 6	186 7 3	29 15 9	
4th " " " " " " " "	10,017 8 0	9,733 1 6	245 4 0	39 2 0	
Total	40,768 13 6	39,537 6 0	1,038 6 0*	103 1 6	Total 1,638 6 0

12. The house-rate collections have, for the third year, resulted in a deficit; but it is evident, from the total demand being only Rs. 40,768-12-6, that the estimate of Rs. 41,000 was an over-estimate. This has been rectified in the Budget for the current year.

13. In spite of the strictest scrutiny of the applications for abatement of the tax, remissions are on the increase. Nothing but a general revision of assessment, as said before, can remedy it, and this, I regret to say, financial reasons have again prevented.

14. The uncollected arrears of the years 1871-72 and 1872-73 are in course of recovery through the civil courts. Similar measures will have to be taken to recover the uncollected balance of the past year.

15. *Wheel Tax*.—The *wheel tax* collections were levied on 11 carriages drawn by two horses, 57 carriages drawn by one horse, 19 two-wheeled vehicles on springs, 80 horses, 150 ponies, &c., 11 elephants, and are explained in the following statement:—

DETAILS.	Due.	Collections.	Remissions.	Arrears.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
1st Quarter	474 0 0	472 8 0	1 8 0	.....
2nd " " " " " " " "	463 8 0	463 8 0		
3rd " " " " " " " "	456 0 0	435 0 0	18 12 0	2 4 0
4th " " " " " " " "	528 19 0	522 12 0	4 8 0	1 8 0
Total	1,923 4 0	1,893 12 0	24 12 0	3 12 0

16. It was estimated that the receipts from wheel-tax would have amounted to Rs. 2,300. The demand, however, was under Rs. 2,000.

17. *Registration Fees*.—The income realized from the registration of carts has also resulted in a deficit. Such, however, has been invariably the result since the introduction of registration within the Municipality in 1870-71.

18. From the accompanying statement it would appear that there has been a considerable falling off in the number of carts since that year; but there are strong reasons for believing that the number of carts registered during the year under review does not represent the number liable to registration.

Years.	No. of carts registered.	Total fees.	Years.	No. of carts registered.	Total fees.
		Rs. A. P.			Rs. A. P.
1870-71	716	1,584 0 0	1872-73	701	1,376 12 0
1871-72	758	1,493 4 0	1873-74	615	1,231 8 0

19. An effective registration of carts is very difficult in the present state of the law. Section 51 gives no power of seizure before conviction, and this enhances the difficulty. I am of opinion, the only satisfactory way of meeting the difficulty is the appointment of a special establishment on salaries varying with the number of convictions obtained.

20. *Fines*.—The *finer* imposed for breaches of the Municipal laws are shown in the subjoined statement, which also gives the number and nature of the offences reported:—

Cases reported.	Nature of Offences.	Convictions.	Amount of fines.		
			Rs.	A.	P.
26	For not registering carts	19	17	4	0
7	For not affixing plates to carts after registration	7	1	8	0
7	Allowing sewerage to flow on highways and drains	4	5	8	0
34	Obstructing highways, drains, &c.	36	49	10	0
47	Retaining night-soil for more than 24 hours	38	34	10	0
364	Keeping filthy houses and grounds	294	451	2	0
149	Keeping drains, privies, &c., in a filthy state after warning	150	105	8	0
12	Depositing building materials on highways without permission	10	14	4	0
6	Establishing offensive and dangerous trades without permission	6	14	0	0
2	Neglecting to furnish schedules within the prescribed time	2	5	0	0
17	Excavating without written permission	9	23	8	0
2	Steeping vegetable matter in tanks	2	1	0	0
23	Allowing pigs to be at large	21	18	0	0
5	Neglecting to remove encroachments after notice	3	9	8	0
100	Keeping noisome matter for more than 12 hours to the annoyance of residents	78	144	0	0
17	Throwing refuse, &c., out of fixed hours	13	13	2	0
5	Keeping cattle-pens filthy	5	7	8	0
9	Depositing carcases, &c., other than in places fixed	7	19	0	0
3	Allowing bazars to be in an unclean and filthy state	2	7	0	0
2	Obstructing bazar lanes	2	1	8	0
3	Constructing privies within 4 feet of public roads	1	0	4	0
12	Performing offices of nature in unauthorized places	5	1	4	0
1	Carrying night-soil after stated hours	1	5	0	0
5	Allowing offensive matter to run into tanks, &c.	2	1	8	0
858		635	943	8	0

21. Six hundred and forty two notices were also issued during the year for the removal and abatement of nuisances.

22. Appendix B gives the attendance of the Commissioners at their judicial sittings which continue to be held bi-weekly. The attendance of some of the members at these sittings is far from regular.

23. *Tolls and Ferries*.—The prices realized by the sale of the *Hustwooden* Toll-bar and *Banks* and *Kastogola* Ferries make up these receipts.

24. The estimate included the receipts of the *Sudder Ghât* ferry, for the transfer of which application was made last year to Government (see para. 20, last year's report), but which was unsuccessful. Hence the deficit under the head of *Tolls and Ferries*.

25. During the year a ferry was established on the river *Banks* as an experimental measure. The site selected was the *Surbomongolah Ghât*, at which it was known a considerable number of persons were in the habit of crossing daily. At first no person could be found willing to take over the ferry at any price; but subsequently it was leased out, in November, to the end of the year, for Rs. 5. It has been leased out during the current year for Rs. 35.

26. *Miscellaneous*.—The *miscellaneous* receipts of the year have exceeded the estimate by Rs. 10,989-2-3, and are made up as follow:—

		Rs.	A.	P.
(1)	Refund by Government of disbursements effected out of Municipal funds on medical relief operations between the years 1869-70 and 1872-73 inclusive	5,831	16	8
(2)	Night-soil removal fees	4,541	1	0
(3)	Local subscriptions towards the water-works	1,611	5	0
(4)	Press receipts	1,183	18	3
(5)	Amount received from the Maharajah of Burdwan for diverting the Baldanga Road	662	15	6
(6)	Pound receipts	605	14	6
(7)	License fees	462	13	2
(8)	Rent of Municipal property	454	0	0
(9)	Refund by Messrs. Jessop and Co. of an account inadvertently paid twice	427	4	6
(10)	Distrant fees	164	14	0
(11)	Hackney Carriage cash balance of 1873-73	187	12	8
(12)	Proceeds of Municipal garden	185	5	8
(13)	Deadcart fees	93	4	0
(14)	Gambling Act fees	52	0	0
(15)	Refuse removal fees	40	0	0
(16)	Refund of civil suit costs	18	1	9
(17)	Various other sources	295	9	9
Total		16,789	2	

27. *Item 1.*—This refund was sanctioned by Government on a representation submitted by the Magistrate. It was not anticipated; and to it, with item 3, local subscriptions towards water works, is chiefly due the large excess in the miscellaneous receipts of the year.

28. *Item 2.*—These receipts include sums realized for the removal of night-soil from private enclosures in eight circles of latrine conservancy, and payments made by the Railway Company and the Maharajah of Burdwan on account of the station and palace premises.

29. *Item 3.*—These subscriptions were realized in Mr. Metcalfe's time, Rs. 1,000 being the subscription of the Maharajah of Burdwan.

30. *Item 4.*—The Municipal Press continues to be remunerative, as will be seen from the subjoined statement:—

Receipts.	Amount.	Expenditure.	Amount.
	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
Value of office printing ...	1,216 11 6	Salaries of establishment ...	801 8 6
Actual receipts on account of out-work ...	1,026 12 ■	Contingencies, including the purchase of type, stationery, &c. ...	1,109 3 3
			1,901 11 9
		Saving ...	341 12 3
Total ...	2,243 8 0		2,243 ■ 0

31. *Item 5.*—The diversion of the Baldangab Road was carried out to meet the wishes of the Maharajah of Burdwan who bore all expenditure attending it. The Baldangab Road originally passed through a large garden, the property of the Maharajah.

32. *Item 6.*—The income realizable from pounds was estimated at Rs. 720. The actual results are given in the subjoined statement:—

Names of Pounds.	Bullocks.	Bulls.	Buffaloes.	Cows.	Calves.	Horses.	Asses.	Goats.	Sheep.	Lambs or kids.	Total.	Amount.
												Rs. A. P.
Parboerhatta ...	67	19	1	416	452	41	...	588	127	69	1,780	243 4 9
Alumunge ...	113	46	...	452	397	11	...	563	8	3	1,603	256 3 3
Kunchunnuggur ...	35	43	...	268	90	12	...	115	5	2	570	107 6 6
Total ...	215	108	1	1,146	939	64	...	1,266	140	74	3,953	605 14 6

33. *Item 7.*—License fees are levied on all dangerous and offensive trades carried on within certain limits which are not coterminous with the limits of the Municipality. During the year the following licences were issued:—

Under Section 78.—Private burial-grounds 1. *Under Section 77.*—Wood depôts 26; coal depôts 11; straw depôts 1; dying-houses 5; slaughter yards 6; lime kilns 1; brick-making 1; total 52.

34. *Item 8.*—This item is made up of the following rents:—Serai, river Banka, Civil Court tank, Criminal Court tank, Cutchery latrine tank, and cattle-shed enclosure.

35. The serai continues to be leased out conjointly with the round house, and the attendance of travellers at it does not appear to have diminished. The fisheries of the river Banka have been leased out at a loss. The Criminal Court and Cutchery latrine tanks have been farmed out for five years at a yearly rental of Rs. 24. The Civil Court tank was only completed in August, and the amount credited is its rent for the remainder of the year. It has since been leased out for four years at an annual rental of Rs. 35. The receipts from the cattle-shed enclosure are the rent of its fruit-trees and manure.

36. *Item 10.*—These fees were realized by the enforcement of 625 distraints under Section 47 for the recovery of house and wheel taxes.

37. *Item 11.*—The hackney carriage balance of 1872-73 was transferred to the Municipal funds under Government letter No. 1385, dated 15th May 1873, to the Commissioner of the division.

38. *Item 12.*—The receipts from the Municipal garden were derived from the sale of European and other vegetables raised during the past cold season.

39. *Item 14.*—All fines under the Gambling Act, inflicted within Municipal limits, are now made over to the Municipal funds under Government letter No. 3550, dated 11th June 1872.

40. *Item 15.*—These fees were realized under bye-law 40 from the owners of slaughter-houses for the removal of refuse resulting from their business.

41. The remaining items of the miscellaneous receipts call for no explanation.

EXPENDITURE.

42. The following is a comparative statement of the actual and estimated expenditure of the year:—

Details.	Estimates.	Actuals.	Savings.	Excess.	REMARKS.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Collections	1,944 0 0	1,910 8 0	33 18 0	...	
General charges	6,156 0 0	6,114 8 6	41 7 6	...	
Roads	4,538 0 0	5,589 14 6	...	1,051 14 6	
Watering	1,362 0 0	1,286 14 9	125 1 3	...	
Conservancy	14,168 0 0	16,737 6 6	...	2,569 6 6	
Police	12,146 6 0	12,073 11 9	73 10 3	...	
Local improvements	12,670 0 0	16,388 2 9	...	3,718 2 9	
Miscellaneous	7,385 10 0	7,008 14 3	376 11 9	...	
Total	60,370 0 0	67,009 12 0	649 11 9	7,289 7 9	
Net excess	...	...	...	6,039 12 0	

43. The excess expenditure over estimate has been incurred almost entirely in liquidating the outstanding liabilities of the year 1872-73, and in completing the various works which remained unfinished at the close of that year.

44. Deducting the expenditure of the year from the income, there was a cash balance at the close of the year of Rs. 29-15-7.

45. *Collection*.—The expenditure in the *Collection* Department has resulted in a small saving. This is due to the circumstance that during the year the services of one of the collecting amins were dispensed with.

46. *General charges*.—The disbursements of the year in connection with the office of the Commissioners are included under this head. Here also there has been a small saving.

47. *Roads*.—The expenditure on roads exceeds the estimate by Rs. 1,051-14-6, and is divided under the following heads:—(1) repairs, (2) purchase of material, (3) establishment, (4) contingencies.

48. The excess expenditure on roads is due:—(1) On works connected with the diversion of the *Baidanga* Road; (2) on the liquidation of contingent bills for 1872-73; and (3) to the insufficiency of the contingent allotment.

49. The annual statement of receipts and disbursement, appended to this report, gives the details of the roads repaired and the expenditure thereon; but the following statement shows the number and extent of those roads and the nature and quantity of work executed:—

Description.	Number.	Extent in miles	QUANTITY OF			Cost, including contingencies.	REMARKS.
			Metal.	Earth-work.	Turfing.		
Kunkur	9	8½	24,300*	1,75,000	10,000	2,311 10 6	* At the close of the year there remained 4,000 cubic feet of Kunkur unexpended.
Ballast	19	6½	8,000	1,50,000	10,000	1,191 3 6	
Fair weather	7	2	.....	2,00,000	20,000	783 2 6	
Total	35	16½	33,100	5,25,000	40,000	4,286 0 6	

50. *Watering*.—The small saving in the charges for watering is owing to the circumstance that rainfalls were of frequent occurrence during the cold season, which rendered street watering unnecessary.

51. *Conservancy*.—The large excess expenditure in the *Conservancy* Department has been caused chiefly in meeting the liabilities of the past year.

52. During the year the services of two peons and sixteen methers attached to the suburbs were dispensed with on a reduction of establishment.

53. The measures taken for the daily removal and disposal of street refuse, and the clearing out of drains and water-ways continue to be effective. The sweepings of the streets are utilized in filling up useless holes, the owners of which agree to cover in the rubbish with earth when called upon to do so.

54. With a view to the better conservancy of the river *Banka*, a stringent bye-law prohibiting the pollution of its banks and stream was proposed and sanctioned by Government. The depth of the stream within Municipal limits has also been increased, in compliance with the suggestions of the *Conservancy* Sub-Committee to whom the question of the conservancy of the river had been referred, by closing the opening of the anicut to a height of nearly 3 feet. The depth of water at the anicut was previously only 6 feet. The anicut is also partially opened monthly to allow the scum and other impurities collected on the surface of the stream to run off. These arrangements have had satisfactory results.

55. The operations connected with the latrine conservancy of the town are explained in Appendix B. The system has now been extended to eight circles which include within their boundaries 48 mohullas. A public latrine accommodates each circle.

56. The attendance at the public latrines has not been satisfactory. In fact there is a strong tendency on the part of the inhabitants to shirk the use of these latrines, and advantage is taken of the slightest cover to do so.

57. The latrines are daily inspected, and the strictest supervision is exercised over the methers in charge. Disinfectants are freely used, and the deposits are removed morning and evening and buried in the Municipal garden; but in spite of these measures, and of frequent prosecutions of persons found committing nuisances in the open air, such nuisances continue to be committed and the latrines remain comparatively unused.

58. The town of Burdwan contains many ruined houses, and within these ruins the majority of the nuisances are committed. The removal of "dangerous" ruins is provided for by the law, and in a sanitary point of view these ruins may be regarded as dangerous; but so many obstacles are thrown by the owners in the way of their removal, invariably accompanied by the threat of litigation, that it has not been thought desirable to proceed to extreme measures.

59. One of the principal objections advanced by owners against the removal of these ruins is their value. A good plan for testing the validity of this objection would be to decline to remit the tax of a holding so long as its walls remained standing.

60. During the year a reduction in the salaries of the methers working in the public latrines was effected. The monthly charge for establishment is now Rs. 24 for each latrine.

61. *Police.*—The small saving in the *Police* charges calls for no remarks.

62. *Local Improvements.*—The expenditure incurred during the year on *local improvements* aggregated Rs. 16,388-2-9, and is divided under the following heads:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
(1) Water works	9,614	0	0
(2) Latrines	2,764	5	0
(3) Miscellaneous	1,009	13	0
Total	16,388	2	9

63. *Water Works.*—With the exception of some trifling disbursements connected with the painting of the wood-work of the Engine-house, and in making the building air and water-tight, almost the entire expenditure on water works has been incurred in meeting the liabilities of 1872-73. The details of this expenditure has been given in the annual statement of receipts and expenditure appended.

64. Want of funds prevented any attempt being made to complete the water works during the year; but the question of utilizing the stoneware piping ordered by Mr. Metcalfe from the Ranegunge potteries was considered. Professional opinion was adverse to the use of pottery pipes for the water works, on the grounds that they could not be depended upon to stand even a small amount of pressure. The pipes were in consequence returned to the potteries at a sacrifice.

65. On the 24th December, a letter was received from Government submitting a proposal by Colonel Nicolls, Chief Engineer to the Bengal Government in the Public Works Department, for carrying out the water-supply scheme.

66. The Chief Engineer proposed to lay down one mile of iron piping with 10 stand posts, and to construct one or more high level masonry reservoirs. The total cost was estimated at Rs. 20,000, towards which Government proposed to grant a donation of Rs. 10,000, provided the Commissioners arranged the further funds necessary to complete the work safely and securely.

67. The whole question was then considered at a Special Meeting dated the 18th October, and the Commissioners unanimously agreed to accept the scheme on the terms proposed by Government. The necessary funds were accordingly allotted in the current year's Budget, but subsequently, owing to an intimation that the promised donation would not be forthcoming during the current year, the budget was revised. The works thus remain perforce incomplete.

68. *Construction of Latrines.*—The expenditure on *latrines* is thus divided:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
(1) Dhograsohid latrine	2,134	3	0
(2) Peeritpara latrine communication	225	0	9
(3) Municipal garden	405	1	3
Total	2,764	5	0

69. The Dhograsohid latrine stands on a site presented to the Municipality by the Maharajah of Burdwan. It was completed in April and opened for use the following month.

70. The expenditure on the Peeritpara latrine communication includes the cost of laying out and forming the road, as well as further compensation paid for the acquisition of the

site. The Peeritpara latrine was completed in November at a cost of Rs. 2,278-8-6, and was opened for use the following month. The cost of its construction was not paid during the year.

71. The expenditure on the Municipal garden was made for the purpose of carrying out certain arrangements for irrigating.

72. *Miscellaneous Improvements.*—Subjoined are the details of the expenditure incurred during the year on miscellaneous improvements:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
(1) Excavation of triangular tank	2,039	12	0
(2) Completion of Civil Court tank	1,410	12	9
(3) Compensation for latrine tank site	361	4	9
(4) Enclosing and protecting dangerous holes, &c.	207	15	6
Total	4,009	13	0

73. The excavation of the triangular tank was undertaken to fill up and improve a low swampy piece of ground, private property, situated close to the Government Charitable Hospital. Rs. 868-8-0 were paid for the acquisition of the site. Want of funds prevented the completion of this tank.

74. The object for which the excavation of the Civil Court tank was undertaken was explained in last year's report (see para. 50). It was completed during the year.

75. *Miscellaneous.*—The miscellaneous expenditure of the year is divided under the following heads:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
(1) Repayment of loan	2,500	0	0
(2) Press	1,901	11	9
(3) Refund of house-rate on vacant houses	498	0	3
(4) Lighting liabilities for 1872-73	342	8	6
(5) Medical relief	328	14	6
(6) Water work's establishment	299	9	9
(7) Purchase of a dead-cart	250	0	0
(8) Office rent	220	0	0
(9) Salaries of pound-keepers	168	0	0
(10) Rent of Banka <i>Juker</i>	110	0	0
(11) Salaries of burial-ground peons	99	12	6
(12) Cost of civil suits	114	7	9
(13) Salaries of vaccinators	87	3	0
(14) Various other items	93	9	8
Total	7,008	14	3

76. *Item 1.*—This disbursement represents the repayments of the 1st instalment with principal and interest of the Government loan.

77. *Item 2.*—This item includes the cost of working the press, and the sum expended in the purchase of materials, stationery, &c.

78. *Item 4.*—The unpaid contingent bills on account of lighting the streets during the months of January, February, and March 1873, were disbursed out of the miscellaneous allotment, as the Budget for the year under review made no provision for lighting.

79. *Item 5.*—This item includes the pay and allowances of the medical staff engaged on town relief during the month of March 1873. It has since been refunded by Government.

80. *Item 6.*—The salaries and contingencies of the following persons employed for the "waterworks" make up this item:—(1) A mistre on Rs. 10 monthly for engine-house; (2) a peon on Rs. 5 monthly for sluice; (3) a peon on Rs. 5 monthly for anicut.

81. *Item 7.*—This item is another of the liabilities of the past year.

82. *Item 10.*—The origin of this item was explained in last year's report (see para. 67).

83. *Item 11.*—The salaries of two peons in charge of the Kurbolah and Peerbaharam Mahomedan burial-grounds are included in this item. During the year the services of these men were dispensed with, and the conservancy peons directed to supervise the burials.

84. The number of deaths reported by the police during the year was 1,609 against 1,951 in the previous year. This gives a ratio of mortality of 5.22 per 100 during the year, against 4.75 for 1872-73.

85. In order to the better collection of these statistics, it was proposed by Mr. Cockburn, the District Superintendent of Police—(1) to limit the cremation of Hindoos to two ghâts on the banks of the river Damoodah, and to check the same by paid Municipal servants; (2) to remove the burial-ground of the Joogees and Boistubs from the banks of the river Banka to that of the Damoodah, placing it near one of the ghâts; (3) to utilize the services of the peons in charge of the two Mahomedan burial-grounds in checking the burials thereat; (4) to close all the burial-grounds without Municipal limits used by the inhabitants of the Municipality.

86. These proposals were laid before an ordinary meeting dated the 19th July, but were not approved of for financial and other reasons.

87. *Item 12.*—This item includes Rs. 25-7-6, costs incurred in the execution of decrees gained last year, and the law expenses of the Municipality during the year under review, which are detailed below :—

No.	Position of Municipality.	Nature of suits.	Amount claimed.	Result.	Costs incurred.	REMARKS.
1	Plaintiff	19 cases for recovery of house-rate	Rs. A. P. 107 8 6	Decreed	Rs. A. P. 68 15 3	
2	Ditto	For cutting and clearing jungles	1 3 3	Ditto	2 3 3	
3	Defendant	Damages incurred in removing an encroachment	5 0 0	Dismissed	3 5 3	
4	Ditto	Ditto in removing a privy constructed within 4 feet of the public road	29 12 0	Ditto	14 10 6	* Costs of subsequent appeal included

88. *Item 13.*—The salaries of three vaccinators are included in this item—two engaged during the cold season of 1872-73 at Rs. 10 each monthly, and one during the cold season of the year under review at Rs. 12. From the report on vaccination within the town during the year, submitted by the Civil Surgeon, it appears that the number of persons vaccinated within the Municipality has been 471, as against 74 in 1872-73.

89. *Review of the present position of the Municipality.*—As may be gathered from the preceding paragraphs, the history of the Municipality during the year under report is that of one continued struggle to meet liabilities. This has obliged the Commissioners to give up lighting the town—to put off to a future time the revision of the house assessment—to make all possible retrenchments of expenditure—to refuse their consent to several excellent proposals involving outlay of money—and finally, to stop the further prosecution of the waterworks scheme, the excavation of the triangular tank, and the extension of the public latrine arrangements. This is, of course, very much to be lamented, and doubts may naturally suggest themselves to persons viewing the matter from afar, whether it might not have been possible for the Commissioners, by some means or other, to surmount these difficulties, at least to the extent of finding ways and means to complete the waterworks. But those doubts cannot be felt by any one who is practically conversant with the affairs of the Municipality. We have the opinion of the Chief Engineer to the Government of Bengal, that to complete the waterworks in a proper manner and lay down one mile of piping, would cost Rs. 20,000, and to provide this sum has been found, up to the present date, to be simply impossible. It is out of the case that the Commissioners should take a second loan from Government (as has been suggested), because they have at present to pay Rs. 5,000 a year on account of the loan of Rs. 40,000 taken in 1872-73, and the greatest difficulty is experienced in providing for the payment of these instalments. I see no chance of our being able to complete these works unless Government be pleased to make a special grant for the purpose. A statement of the expenditure in 1872-73 and 1873-74 on extraordinary local improvements and repayment of loan is annexed, with a note of the outstanding liabilities under each head. It should be added that Rs. 55,000 of this expenditure was met from the Government donation of Rs. 15,000 and loan of Rs. 40,000; the balance, Rs. 18,708-11-3, has been met from the ordinary income of the Municipality.

90. *Conduct of officers.*—Mr. Sherman, the Secretary, has continued to discharge his duties in that extremely satisfactory manner for which he has been so many times favourably mentioned, and the subordinate clerks and officials have likewise worked well.

APPENDIX A.

Attendance of Commissioners at Ordinary and Special Meetings during the year 1873-74.

Names of Commissioners.		for 12 months		Total attendance.
Mr. E. H. Whinfield, as Chairman		12	10	10
“ E. H. Ruddock, as Vice-Chairman		12	14	14
“ J. Cookburn, as Commissioner		12	7	7
“ W. H. Nightingale,	“	12	5	5
“ E. T. Sevestre,	“	12	10	10
Dr. J. French,	“	3	0	0
Mr. A. Pryce,	“	2	0	0
Baboo Ram Lal Mookerjee,	“	12	7	7
“ Bonomally Mookerjee,	“	12	6	6
“ Pomundo Mookerjee,	“	12	7	7
“ Brij Lal Tewarie,	“	12	2	2
“ Moidon Mohun Tewarie,	“	12	3	3
“ Medden Lal Burmon,	“	19	5	5
“ Bhobun Mohun Chatterjee,	“	13	2	2
“ Kassee Nath Das,	“	12	0	0
“ Gopee Nath Shaha,	“	9	1	1
“ Jagadbandhu Mitra,	“	3	1	1

APPENDIX B.

Record of attendance of Commissioners at Judicial Sittings during the year 1873-74.

Names of Commissioners.	for 12 months	Total attendance.
Mr. E. H. Whinfield, Chairman	13	2
" E. H. Ruddock, Vice-Chairman	13	11
" J. Cockburn	13	1
" W. H. Nightingale	13	5
" R. T. Sevestre	13	1
Dr. J. French	3	1
Mr. A. Fryce	3	5
Baboo Ram Lal Mookerjee	13	8
" Bonomallee Mookerjee	13	10
" Poranmunde Mookerjee	13	5
" Brij Lal Tewaroo	13	10
" Muddun Mohun Tewaroo	13	6
" Bhobhun Mohun Chatterjee	13	4
" Kasseo Nath Dass	12	...
" Gopee Nath Shaha	9	...
" Jagadbandhu Mitra	3	2

E. H. WHINFIELD, Chairman.

APPENDIX C.

Statement showing the Working of the Latrine Conservancy system during the year 1873-74.

Circles.	No. of localities accommodated in the circle.	Population as per last census.	No. of private privies in the circle.	Average daily number of privies cleaned.	Average daily attendance at public latrines.	Amount realised for repairs of public latrines and privies.	Amount credited to Municipality for the fees & payments by Mahajah & Railway Company.	Cost attending the working of the system.		Total cost.
								Public latrines.	Private privies.	
Radhakumbar, for 12 months	10	4,484	518	390	833	2,208 1 0	1,194 5 0	561 5 0	1,141 12 0	1,496 0 0
Sharnasur.	6	1,550	317	261	405	1,021 0 0	339 4 0	334 7 0	708 0 0	1,126 11 0
Peorthabaram.	8	1,327	230	180	361	1,173 8 0	599 4 0	335 10 3	579 4 5	893 14 3
Rasbametakraor.	5	1,994	333	171	306	1,000 5 0	337 13 0	319 0 0	519 12 0	824 12 0
Kocheros.	4	645	67	35	301	105 5 0	91 12 0	236 4 0	75 11 0	600 0 0
Station.	2	890	31	25	545	200 0 0	84 12 0	230 9 0	190 4 0	330 12 0
Dangraohad, for 11	9	2,580	312	180	406	1,036 0 0	531 5 0	308 15 3	506 8 0	739 3 3
Peorthabara, for 6	4	1,000	180	115	272	907 5 0	670 5 0	125 0 0	321 0 0	647 5 0
	46	10,121	1,723	1,205	3,126	5,064 9 0	4,841 1 0	2,300 3 5	4,129 8 0	6,023 11 5

* The expenditure attending the cleaning of private privies is not included in the Municipal accounts.

E. H. WHINFIELD, Chairman.

APPENDIX D.

Statement giving the details of the actual disbursements effected on extraordinary improvements and in repaying Government Loan during the years 1872-73 and 1873-74.

Heads of Works.	Expenditure in 1872-73.		Expenditure in 1873-74.	
	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.
*Construction of public latrines	10,400	5 0	2,764	5 0
Head works at Joojooty	9,863	8 0	748	8 0
Anicut	9,745	3 9	3,046	9 0
Engine-house	11,621	5 0	2,489	14 0
†Machinery	9,000	0 0	3,329	6 9
Improvement of river Banks	363	14 0	...	...
Triangular tank	...	...	2,039	2 0
Cutcherry latrine tank	1,741	0 0	351	4 9
Civil Court tank	3,264	14 8	1,410	12 9
Repayment of Government loan	...	...	2,500	0 0
Total	55,029	2 0	18,679	9 3
Grand Total	...	...	73,708	11 3

* The cost of the Peorthabaratrine (Rs. 2,578-6-8) still due.

† Rs. 329-3-3 due on account of stone-ware piping.

APPENDIX E.

Annual Statement of the Municipal Improvement Act III of 1864 of the Burdwan Municipality for the year 1873-74.

RECEIPTS.		Amount.		Total.
Particulars.		Rs.	A. P.	
To balance brought forward from last account		4,876	5 4	
To amount collected on account of the rate of 7½ per cent. upon the annual value of houses, buildings, lands, &c.		39,537	8 0	
Ditto on account of wheel and horse tax		1,893	12 0	
" " registration of hackeries		1,211	8 0	
" " tolls and ferries		1,825	0 0	
" " fines		908	10 0	
" " miscellaneous receipts		16,789	2 3	
				67,039 11 7
DISBURSEMENTS.				
Charges incurred in the collection of the rate of 7½ per cent. upon the annual value of houses, buildings, lands, &c.		1,910	3 0	
Establishment of the office of the Municipal Commissioners constituted under Act III of 1864		5,940	0 0	1,910 3 0
Contingencies of ditto		174	8 6	
Amount expended on roads		2,100	15 6	6,114 8 6
Amount expended in purchasing materials for repairing and constructing roads		2,135	6 9	
Ditto on establishment and contingencies		1,243	8 3	
Amount expended in watering the streets		1,236	14 9	5,539 14 6
Conservancy charges, including the charge for clearing drains and working public latrines		16,737	6 6	1,236 14 9
Amount paid to the District Superintendent of Police by cheques on the Treasury Officer for the maintenance of Police, under Section 34 of Act III of 1864, as per Accountant-General's letter No. 236, dated 31st August 1871		12,073	11 9	16,737 6 6
				12,073 11 9
Local Improvements.				
Waterworks		9,614	0 9	
Latrines		2,764	5 0	
Miscellaneous		4,009	13 0	15,388 2 9
Amount expended on account of the following miscellaneous purposes:—				
Repayment of Government loan		2,500	0 0	
Municipal press		1,901	11 9	
Refund of house-rate on vacant houses		498	0 3	
Lighting liabilities for 1872-73		342	8 0	
Medical relief		323	14 6	
Waterworks establishment		299	9 9	
Purchase of a dead-cart		250	0 0	
Office rent		220	0 0	
Salaries of pound-keepers		168	0 0	
Rent of Banks Juthur		110	0 0	
Salaries of burial-ground peons		89	13 6	
Cost of civil suits		114	7 9	
Salaries of vaccinators		87	3 0	
Various other charges		93	9 3	
				7,008 14 3
Cash balance				29 15 7
Total				67,039 11 7

BURDWAN, MUNICIPAL COMMER'S OFFICE,
The 1st May 1874.

E. H. WHINFIELD, Chairman.

PRICES-CURRENT of Food-grains and Salt in the

DISTRICTS.		QUANTITIES PER RUPEE BY																							
		WHEAT.			BARLEY.			RICE, BEST SORT.			RICE, COMMON.			BROWN MILL- COMMON, BULK.											
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
BENGAL.																									
Western Districts																									
1	Burdwan	18 12	18 4	18 4	15 8	16 0	20 0	10 8	10 0	10 0	11 4	11 0	17 0												
2	Bankura	13 0	13 0	13 4	20 0	20 0	20 0	10 0	10 0	10 4	11 4	11 4	37 8												
3	Barbhoon	12 0	12 0	14 8	14 0	15 0	19 0	10 8	10 8	10 8	12 8	12 0	30 0												
4	Midnapore	12 0	12 0	12 0				13 0	13 0	19 0	14 0	14 0	34 0												
5	Hooghly	18 8	18 0	18 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	9 6	9 6	10 0	13 0	13 0	10 0												
6	Howrah	18 0	18 0	16 0				10 8	10 12	15 0	13 0	13 0	20 0												
Central Districts																									
7	Calcutta	18 0	18 0	18 0	16 0	16 0		8 8	9 0		11 8	12 0													
8	24-Pargannas	18 5	11 6	15 8	14 8	14 0	26 6	6 0	8 0	6 0	12 12	12 12	10 0												
9	Kudua	12 5	12 5	14 8	20 0		20 0	9 8	9 8	15 4	10 5	10 4	17 0												
10	Jessore	12 0	10 12	8				10 10	12 0	10 4	12 12	12 12	25 0												
11	Mogra-Badab	14 0	14 0	16 8	17 0	17 0	30 0	9 8	9 8	12 8	11 8	12 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	20 0									
12	Dhangaree	11 0	11 0	14 0	11 0	11 0	22 8	13 0	11 0	14 0	13 0	12 0	31 0												
13	Maldah	15 0	15 0	17 0	18 0	17 0	35 0	10 8	10 8	10 8	12 0	12 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	20 0									
14	Rajshahy	12 12	12 12	15 0	16 12	16 0	30 0	8 0	8 0	15 0	16 0	16 0	18 0												
15	Itanagore	12 12	12 0	15 0				6 14	7 8	13 10	10 12	10 12	13 0												
16	Hogra	10 0	10 8	13 0				6 0	6 0	13 8	17 4	17 8	24 0												
17	Pabna	14 4	14 4	17 0				8 0	8 0	13 0	15 12	15 0	22 8												
18	Darjeeling*	8 0	8 0	8 0	7 0	7 0	10 0	6 0	6 0	10 0	7 0	8 0	14 0												
19	Jalpaiguri*	8 0	8 0					8 0	8 0		18 0	12 0													
Eastern Districts																									
20	Imam	11 0	11 0	13 8	20 0	20 0	21 0	12 8	12 0	20 0	13 0	13 0	25 0												
21	Furadpore	14 0	14 0	20 0	20 0	20 0		6 0	6 0	10 0	14 0	13 0	23 0												
22	Backergunge	10 0	10 0	13 0				12 12	12 0	13 8	14 4	15 0	28 0												
23	Mymensingh	10 0	10 0	13 0				10 0	10 0	21 0	12 8	12 8	26 8												
24	Sylhet*	10 0	10 0	10 0	9 0	9 0	11 8	11 0	12 4	23 0	14 14	16 10	31 8												
25	Chittagong*	12 0	13 0	9 0				13 0	13 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	21 0												
26	Nokhaty*							12 0	13 0	17 0	18 0	14 0	24 0												
27	Tippera*	10 0	10 0	11 0				10 0	10 0	20 0	13 0	13 0	25 0												
28	Chittagong Hill Tracts							11 0	11 0	13 8	12 10	12 10	17 8												
	Hill Tippera			8 8	10 6			10 0	12 0	17 7	14 0	16 0	20 0												

* Return for next preceding week received after publication of the last Gazette.

† Beamed and broken.

A In the interior price range as follows:—Wheat from 12-12 to 12 seers, barley from 12 to 21-6 seers, best rice from 10 to 11-12 seers, common rice from 10-12 to 14 seers, and gram from 13-12 to 18 seers, per rupee.

B In the interior price range as follows:—Wheat from 12-4 to 13-6 seers, barley from 16 to 24 seers, best rice from 10-8 to 12 seers, common rice from 11 to 12 seers, maize from 12 to 20 seers, and gram from 13-4 to 14 seers, per rupee.

C In the interior price range as follows:—Wheat from 7-12 to 14 seers, barley 14 seers, best rice from 10-4 to 13 seers, common rice from 11 to 14 seers, and gram from 16 to 18 seers, per rupee.

D In the interior price range as follows:—Wheat from 12 to 13-4 seers, best rice from 8 to 10 seers, common rice from 10-4 to 12 seers, and gram from 12 to 16-4 seers, per rupee.

E In the interior price of best Rice 8 seers, and common rice from 10 to 14-4 seers, and gram from 14-4 to 16 seers, per rupee.

F In the interior price of best Rice 8 seers.

G In the interior price range as follows:—Wheat from 8 to 12 seers, best rice from 11 to 12 seers, common rice from 11-4 to 12 seers, and gram from 12 to 16 seers, per rupee.

Mentioned Districts of Bengal on the 15th August 1874.

SHEER OF 80 TOLAS.

WHEAT MILLET— GRAM, JOWAR.		RICE— RAGI OR MURTA, AND OTHERS.		MAIZE OR INDIAN CORN.		GRAM.		FINE WHEAT.		SALT.		DISTRICTS.
Next preceding return. Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return. Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return. Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return. Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return. Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return. Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	
...	BENGAL.
...	Western Districts.
...	Burdwan.
...	Bachoo.
...	Berhampur.
...	Midnapore.
...	Hooghly.
...	Howrah.
...	Central Districts.
...	Calcutta.
...	24-Pargannas.
...	Nadia.
...	Jessore.
...	Muorshedabad.
...	Dinapore.
...	Maligh.
...	Rajshahye.
...	Rungpore.
...	Bogra.
...	Pubna.
...	Darjeeling.*
...	Jalporree.*
...	Cooch Behar.†
...	Eastern Districts.
...	Dacca.
...	Feredpore.
...	Backergunge.
...	Mymensingh.
...	Sylhet.*
...	Chittagong.*
...	Nonkholy.*
...	Tipparah.*
...	Chittagong Hill Tracts.
...	Hill Tipparah.

In the interior price range as follow:—Wheat from 13 to 14 seers, best rice from 9 to 10 seers, common rice from 11-8 to 13 seers, new
 Chullog or some rice at Jussapore at 14 seers, and in the dearth lands, its price is reported to be from 14-8 to 15 seers, and gram
 from 10 to 12 seers, per rupee.
 In the interior best rice at 10 seers, common rice 15 seers, and gram 18 seers, per rupee.
 Prices much easier in the Bhownanjan sub-division.
 In the interior price range as follow:—Wheat from 9 to 10 seers, best rice from 8 to 10 seers, common rice from 7 to 9 seers, and gram
 from 8 to 10 seers, per rupee.
 In the interior price range as follow:—Wheat 18 seers, best rice 10-8 seers, common rice from 12 to 15-8 seers, and gram from 14 to 16
 seers, per rupee.
 In the interior price range as follow:—Wheat rice from 13 to 15-2 seers, common rice from 13-2 to 15 seers, paddy 40 seers, and gram
 from 11 to 13 seers, per rupee.
 In the interior price range as follow:—Wheat from 11 to 12 seers, best rice from 10 to 11 seers, common rice from 10-10 to 15 seers,
 and gram from 11-6 to 16 seers, per rupee.
 In the interior price of best rice ranges from 10 to 13 seers, common rice from 12-8 to 17 seers, and gram from 12-8 to 13 seers, per rupee
 In the interior price of best rice ranges from 14 to 15 seers, and common rice from 15 to 18 seers, per rupee.
 In the interior price of best rice ranges from 15 to 16 seers, and common rice from 15-8 to 16 seers, per rupee.

PRICES-CURRENT of Fowl-grains and Salt in the underment

		QUANTITIES PRE-REPT.															
		WHEAT.			BARLEY.			RICE, BEST SORT.			RICE, COMMON.			DUMBER MILLS COMB. BAR.			
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	
BENGAL.																	
Number.	DISTRICTS.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.
27.	Patna	16	8	16	12	14	0	16	12	20	0	31	4	12	0	12	0
		S															
28.	Gya	11	0	11	0	14	0	15	8	15	8	22	0	8	0	8	0
		T															
29.	Shahabad	14	8	14	8	16	0	19	0	18	8	23	0	10	8	10	0
		U															
30.	Tirhoot	13	0	14	0	12	8	16	0	16	0	25	0	7	8	7	8
31.	Sarni	15	0	15	0	14	0	20	0	20	0	24	0	7	4	7	4
		V															
32.	Chumpani	12	8	12	8	16	8	16	0	16	0	33	0	8	0	8	0
33.	Monghyr	16	8	17	8	16	8	23	1	23	1	26	1	8	4	9	4
34.	Bhagalpore	15	2	15	2	16	6	20	5		27	11	10	11	10	1	
35.	Purneah	16	0	13	0	14	0				18	0	12	0	16	0	
		W															
36.	Southal Pergunnahs	11	0	11	0	13	0	14 to 20	14 to 20	20	0	9	0	9	0	14	8
		E															
ORISSA.																	
37.	Cuttack	14	7	18	13	19	11				18	6	18	6	23	10	
		X															
38.	Poore	11	13	11	13	17	1				17	1	17	1	21	0	
39.	Balasore	12	0	12	0	13	0				16	0	16	0	16	0	
CHOTA NAGPORE.																	
South-West Frontier Agency																	
40.	Basarehagh	8	11	0	18	0	14	0	20	0	8	8	9	0	10	0	
41.	Lohardugga	12	0	11	8	14	0	16	0	16	0	9	0	15	8	14	0
42.	Singbhoom	11	0	11	0	18	0				19	0	12	0	18	0	
		Z															
43.	Manbhoom	10	8	8	13	0	16	0	16	0	22	0	9	0	15	8	
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^a Returns for the next preceding week received after publication of the last *Gazette*.

CALCUTTA,
The 18th August 1874.

THE SEER OF NO TOLAR

LUMBER MILLERS— CHOLON, JOWAR.		LUMBER MILLERS— NANI TA AGUMMA, AND CHHERRA.		MAISER OR INDIAN- COOKS.		GRAN.		FIER WOOD.		SALT.	
Present return.		Present return.		Present return.		Present return.		Present return.		Present return.	
Next preceding return.		Next preceding return.		Next preceding return.		Next preceding return.		Next preceding return.		Next preceding return.	
Corresponding return of last year.		Corresponding return of last year.		Corresponding return of last year.		Corresponding return of last year.		Corresponding return of last year.		Corresponding return of last year.	

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...	...	17	1	17	1	24	15	24	15	24	15	200	0	200	0	10	8	0	0	9	2	Cuttack.
...	21	0	21	0	22	5	100	0	100	0	12	0	12	0	9	0	Poore.
...	11	0	11	0	10	8	280	0	280	0	7	8	7	8	7	0	Balasore.

CHOTA NAGPORE.

South-West Frontier
Agency.

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Y In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat from 11-4 to 13-8 seers, barley from 12-3 to 18 seers, best rice from 8 to 13 seers, common rice from 10 to 14 seers, maize from 13-4 to 17-8 seers, and gram from 14 to 18 seers, per rupee.

1a the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat from 10 to 16 seers, best rice from 11 to 13-5 seers, common rice from 8 to 14-8 seers, bulrush millet from 14 to 17 seers, maize from 14 to 20 seers, and gram from 11 to 18 seers, per rupee.

Price of common rice in the interior ranges from 34 to 43 seers per ruped.

2 In the interior price of best rice ranges from 12 to 17 seers, and common rice from 13-4 to 22 seers, per rupee. In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat from 10 to 12 seers, best rice from 10-8 to 13 seers, common rice from 12 to 14-8 seers, and gram from 10 to 12 seers, per rupee.

Published for general information.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, State and Prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 15th August 1874.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at &c.
BENGAL.			
<i>Western Districts.</i>			
1	Burdwan, 17th ^o Aug. 1874	1.89	Rainfall at Calna 1.02; at Ontwa 2.17; at Bood-hood 1.06; at Rancegunge 1.66; at Jehanabad nil. Complaints still made of want of rain, and transplantation of amun or late rice reported to be delayed, but the crops in the Sudder Sub-division do not look amiss. Fever as before.
2	Rahkora, 15th	3.22	Heavy showers in most parts, but scants in a few small tracts, especially in the west. The crops generally are doing well, but amun or late rice transplantation is not carried on rapidly, where the rainfall is less abundant. General health good.
3	Beerbhoom, 15th	0.94	Showery weather. The state and prospects of the crops in the portion of the district lying west of the Railway are excellent; in the south-east, comprising Divisions Lalpore and Socoolpore, fair; in the north-east, i.e. in Burwan, and the north-east of Mouressar Divisions, bad, owing to drought; fair throughout the rest of Mouressar. Export by rail, of fortnight ending 8th August, 402 mounds, all to the Moorshedabad district. Prices almost stationary.
4	Midnapore, 15th	2.45	Heavy rain fell on Monday, the 10th, rest of the week fine, but showery. Slight improvement in prospects reported from almost all quarters. The amun or early, and amun or late rice crops both promise thus far to be very little below the average. The late rice crop may, indeed, yet be very good. Subordinate crops also doing well.
5	Hooghly, 15th .. ..	.88	Cloudy and sunny alternately, with wind from south and south-east; partial showers. Rainfall at Serampore 2.48. The rainfall has been insufficient and the transplantation of the main rice crop has been generally postponed, though in parts it has been effected.
	Bowrah, 15th	1.67	There has been some rain during the week, throughout the district. Weather sometimes clear and sometimes cloudy. Wind from south and east. The ryots are preparing lands for transplanting amun or late rice seedlings, and in some parts, transplanting has commenced, but more rain is wanted throughout the district. The jute, sugarcane, and amun or early rice, have been benefitted by the late rain. The rain has kept back so long that an average crop of the late rice is not expected.
<i>Central Districts.</i>			
6	24-Pergunnahs, 17th ^o Aug. 1874	0.96	Warm and close, with occasional light showers. There has been no heavy rain during the week. The transplantation of the late rice continues very backward. Much anxiety is felt regarding this crop in the Bussacrist, Sathkira, Baraset and Barripore Sub-divisions. The continued dry weather is in places injuring both the early and late rice planted on the low lands. The harvest of the early rice has commenced. Fever continues in Diamond Harbour, Barripore, and Sathkira.
7	Nuddea, 15th Aug. 1874	0.40	No return received yet from Bongong, but everywhere else the rainfall has been insufficient. In the distressed part, they have had one day's good rain, which has much improved the amun or early rice. The crops on high lands have suffered greatly, while those on low lands will be very good. The outturn will vary much even in neighbouring villages. The average in the distressed part, will probably be 8 annas of what was at first expected, or (allowing for the increased area sown) about 10 annas of an ordinary year. In the rest of the district, the amun has been much injured by drought, but (allowing for increased area) there will be about 12 annas fair ordinary year gathered. No much amun or late rice has yet been transplanted; but if there be good rain within 8 or 10 days, the only harm done by the drought would be, that the crop would be thrown back. Indigo has not turned out quite so large a crop as had been anticipated.
8	Jessore, 15th61	Generally cloudy. The rainfall is very short for the season of the year. The amun or early rice, though it has suffered in many places from drought, and in part of Nurali from inundation, is on the whole a good crop. The amun or late rice also promises fairly, but there is much want of rain. In Jhenida it is said that the plants are getting withered, and in Jessore and part of Khoolnah they cannot be transplanted. In Nurali, the chotea amun on the higher land is getting scorched, and in Khoolna and Begirhat also insufficient rain is complained of.

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No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Standard Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BENGAL.—(Contd.)			
Central Districts.—(Contd.)			
9	Mooresabad, 15th Aug. 1874.	0.24	There was no rain worthy of mention during the week. Clouds accumulate daily, but pass off without rain or with very light showers only. The heat is greater than it has been for some weeks past. The early rice harvest is going on in different parts of the district. The outturn in the Jungpore Sub-division is expected to be very good, as more rain fell there at the time that the ears were forming. In the Sudder Sub-division deficient rainfall has greatly reduced the outturn of the more advanced crops, and has retarded the progress of crops which were sown later. In the parts of Burwa bordering on the Bhagirathi, an extensive area of crops has been withered by the drought, and nothing but a heavy downpour could be of any avail now. The late rice crops in Bhurtpore and Gokurn particularly are in a very precarious state. There have been but two or three slight showers in those parts during the last fortnight. Kalliangunge is fortunately slightly better off.
10	Himgachy, 14th Aug. 1874.	.31	There has been heavy rain to the north and south-east. Showers in other places. A good deal of the bhadoi or early crop has been cut, in most places a very good crop. Hymunty or late rice is looking well; more rain wanted to enable the transplanting on high lands to be completed.
11	Maldah, 15th Aug. 1874	2.	The first three days cloudy and rainy, and the last four days cloudy and sunny alternately. Bhadoi or early crop is being reaped and is turning out well, as too sama (grass seed) and Indian corn. Hymunty or late rice sowings are still going on. Some damage has been done by the Mohananda rising again. Rice is little cheaper.
12	Rajahmhye, 15th " "	0.90	There has been rain throughout the district during the week, but heavy rain only to south of Nattore for about 24 hours; more rain required to ensure a crop of the transplanted late rice. The early rice is being cut more extensively than last week, the yield being good. A good deal of this crop in the Ganges dearsaba has been submerged by the present great rise of the river, and is, of course, lost; the Attral is also rising for the second time and is flooding some of the bhadoi in and round which both early and late rice are growing. The late rice crop is doing well all over the district according to latest report. More rain, however, would be beneficial, especially for the bhurind, jute and other crops are thriving. Rice has, however, become cheaper everywhere.
13	Rungpore, 14th " "	0.74	Weather much as before; slight showers intermitting with bright sunshine. There has been nearly 3 inches of rainfall at Gyebandah, and in parts the fall has been sufficient to enable transplantation to proceed, but more rain is wanted, especially at the extreme north, where the crops are in very bad condition, owing to the want of it. Jute is being cut, and is a fair crop.
14	Bogra, 15th " "	2.43	There is nothing serious to complain of, but more rain would do good. The young aman or late rice, a great part of which has been transplanted, looks very well. There is still moisture in most of the fields, although on high lands the effects of deficient rainfall are visible. The aous or early rice is almost completely harvested. Miscellaneous crops, such as mulberry, sugarcane, and jute promise a full outturn. Health of the district is generally good.
15	Pubna, 15th " "	0.54	Rain fell almost every day of the week, but showers were slight, and a strong south-east wind blowing. Harvesting of bhun and kawui (millets) and early rice is still going on. The prospect of aman or late rice is favorable. State of sugarcane, arhar (pulse) and turmeric is good. Fever still continues.
16	Barjeeling, 14th " "	3.52	Alternate rain and sunshine. In the plains more rain has fallen than during the previous week, and the cultivators say that there is now no danger for some time to come. On the whole, crops in both the plains and the hills are reported as progressing very favorably.
17	Jalpigore, 14th " "	2.40	The weather has been most favorable for the rice crop; heavy showers and hot intermediate days. Bhadoi or early crop, which is being cut, is a fine crop. Hymunty being still planted out, promises very well. Jute not all round as good a crop as usual.
18	Cooch Behar, 15th " "	5.04	Showery and cloudy with bright sunshine occasionally. Excellent harvest of aous or early rice continue to be gathered, and the prospects of the aman or late rice are most favorable as yet, the weather having been as propitious as possible.
Eastern Districts.			
18	Mecca, 17th* Aug. 1874	1.01	Weather reasonable. State of crops critical if rivers go on falling, damage will be done.
19	Furzedpore, 15th " "	1.29	Excepting on Monday, drizzling rain throughout the week, alternated by cloudy weather and sunshine. The aous or early rice crop all over the district is in course of being reaped, and in many parts is already gathered in. The river is happily rising again, which will be beneficial for aman or late rice, and the rain has done good to both early and late rice. * The price of coarse rice has fallen at Furzedpore and Gostundo, remains the same at Madarespore and Bhanga, but has risen slightly at Gopalgunge, owing to the new aous rice not being brought to the market for sale in that part of the country.

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No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BENGAL.—(Contd.)			
<i>Eastern Districts—(Contd.)</i>			
Dacca Divn.	20. Backergunge, 18th Aug. 1874.	1.23	Rainy and close. Prospects of crops good.
	21. Mymensingh, 14th Aug. 1874.	2.80	Hot with light showers. There is still a great want of rain and in the east the rain has been very much less than in the sudder station. Transplantation of the late rice is still retarded.
	22. Sylhet, 11th Aug. 1874.	3.24	Very close weather. Prospects of crops good. More rain wanted for the aman or late rice and <i>latari</i> crops, especially the latter. Exportation of rice continues. Fever still prevalent all over the district.
Chittagong Divn.	23. Chittagong, 13th .. ..	.90	Slight falls of rain almost daily, weather cloudy and breezy; 1.07 inches of rain reported from Cox's Bazar up to 11th instant. Reaping of the aman or early rice is progressing, as also transplanting of the late rice crop. More rain will soon be wanted for the latter. No cholera reported during the week.
	24. Noakhali, 13th	7.31	Weather variable, in general cool for the season, with stormy south wind. Heavy rain on the morning of the 10th and 11th. Aman or early rice has been partly reaped, and except on some high lands where the rain was insufficient, promises well. The aman or late rice is being transplanted.
	25. Tipperah, 14th	1.66	Bright and clear, with a cool south-east wind; only a few showers of rain. Weather quite unlike what it ought to be. The aman or early rice is being harvested, and the outturn promises to be good. The aman or late rice is still in a promising condition, but more and heavy rain is much wanted.
	26. Chittagong Hill Tracts, 11th Aug. 1874.	1.24	Hot throughout the whole week. The paddy crop is now being reaped here and there in small quantities by the Joomas. The prospects of the joom crops are generally good, but more rain would be of benefit to the plough cultivators.
	Hill Tipperah, 12th Aug. 1874.	1.65	Weather cloudy and unsettled. Transplanting of the late rice going on; nothing particular to report.
BEHAR.			
PATNA DIVISION.	27. Patna, 17th Aug. 1874.	.99	Weather all that could be desired for the young crops, much more rain has fallen both in the Barah and Behar Sub-divisions than at head-quarters, and the transplanting of the rice is going on briskly. Health of the district, fair.
	28. Gaya, 15th	1.49	Seasonable weather; the bhadoi or early crops are magnificent, and the khuraf or late crop is doing as well as could be wished for.
	29. Shahabad, 15th	5.60	Showery, with intervals of clear weather. Everywhere favorably reported on. Paddy transplanting has been carried on in all directions. Excessive rain has fallen on the plateau lands. Health of the district, on the whole, good; fever in places.
	30. Tirhoot, 15th	2.53	Cloudy at intervals, easterly wind prevailing. In the Hajepore Sub-division 3.99 inches of rain fell. The prospects of the crop near about Hajepore are good. In the interior of the sub-division the prospects are not favorable, owing to deficiency of rainfall. In the Tajpore Sub-division the rain has been most partial and uneven. There has been most in the western side of the sub-division, and there heavier in the south than north. On the night of the 13th about three-quarters of an inch fell at Harsingpore, Tajpore and Poonah, but less in the west and south. The rain, light as it was, has been most useful to all bhadoi or early crops, except the very early makai, for which it has come too late. About 8-10 annas crop of makai, townee and samoo all round is still hoped. There will be more in south-west and west for such outturn of murwa (millet) rain is still required. There has been nowhere sufficient rain for the paddy even in low churs, this is looking burnt, and transplantation is at present at a stand still. Alusa or potatoes are being put out; Sathness, another sort of potato or bulb, are promising. In the Durbhanga Sub-division transplanting of winter rice is still checked by want of moisture. Many fields on this account are lying untillied. Bhadoi crops have been injured to extent of from two to four annas, but crop on the whole promises to be a fair one. Sama (grass seed) being cut in some places. Rain much wanted. In the Mudhooburnee Sub-division later sown bhadoi crops are suffering from the drought, but early crops are being reaped in many places. The drought is doing serious damage to the paddy crop. Transplantation on high lands almost at a stand still, though much remains to be transplanted. Great anxiety is felt with regard to this crop. In the Seetanpurh Sub-division the bhadoi dhan or early paddy and murwa have been reaped in places. Murwa early sown yielded full crop; later sown murwa not yet cut; is expected to yield 12-anna crop. Sathi and sama backward for want of sufficiency of rain; 3 or 4 inches required to ensure full crop. Maize also backward. Aghani dhan or late paddy is suffering, except in lands near Bagmutty. Cholera and malarious fever prevalent in places. In the Sudder Sub-division the prospect is the same as reported last week. Rain is much wanted for both bhadoi and winter crops. Public health good.

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BEHAR.—(Contd.)			
PATNA DIV.—(Contd.)			
31	Saran, 15th Aug. 1874	2.46	Cloudy with sunny breaks. East wind prevailing. Partial showers throughout the district. Except where destroyed by inundation, the bhadoi or early crops are nearly everywhere thriving well, and promise an abundant harvest. Aghani or late rice is being transplanted in places where the rainfall has been sufficiently heavy, but general transplantation is still retarded in many parts of the district by the want of rain. Manufacture of indigo going on, but the outturn is small. About three-fourths of the bhadoi or early crops in the Dighwan thana are stated to have been destroyed by the late inundation, and near Chapra three-fourths of the crops in twelve villages are reported to have been lost from the same cause, while damage has been caused to crops in other villages also; detailed inquiries are being made. Prices steady. Cholera has broken out in the town and in parts of the interior.
32	Champur, 14th " "	2.76	No general rainy interval, but very heavy showers throughout the district alternating with sunshine. Light showers still continue. Prospects have much improved since last report, and the rainfall has been sufficient for the present except in a small tract in the south-east of Munger Sub-division. The bhadoi or early crops are now safe for a fair outturn, which will be large compared with other years owing to the great breadth sown this year. Winter rice is generally safe for the present. More rain is wanted and expected.
33	Monghyr, 15th " "	0.90	Showery weather. More rain wanted. The prospects generally on high lands continue good. Unfortunately the Ganges rose and flooded the darabha and low lands subject to inundation before the bhadoi or early crop could be secured. The crops on several thousand acres have been more or less destroyed. It must be remembered, however, that these lands are sown with bhadoi as a speculation only, a crop being secured not oftener than once in five or six years. These remarks apply chiefly to the Begoo Serai Sub-division. In Jamoee and Sudder Sub-division prospects both as regards early and late rice crops continue very good.
34	Rhagulpore, 17th " "	1.85	Weather reported from the north as very favorable, leaving little more to be desired. The aghani or late rice crop with one or two more seasonable falls of rain within the next month, and a final downpour in October, should be a very fine one. Rain, however, is urgently required in the south of the district for the late rice, but it holds off notwithstanding heavy clouds. General health very good.
35	Patna, 15th " "	2.07	Showery and seasonable. Transplanting of late rice and reaping of early crops going on well. Prices falling considerably. New rice in large quantities in the market.
36	Santel Pergunnah, 15th Aug. 1874.	1.62	Drizzling all through the week at Doonika; at Rajmehal 1.2 inches of rain; at Godda .68; and Deoghur not received. Everything as good as possible about Doonika. Heavy rain seen constantly in the hills; good reports from the Damun. Uncertain reports from Godda. The north, which means Mouchearee, now said to be doing well; janera (Indian-corn), called a 10-anna crop. Rain is wanted in Rajmehal; and the rising Ganges is doing much mischief.
ORISSA.			
CHANDLER DIVISION.			
37	Cuttack, 17th* Aug. 1874	5.22	Rain at Kendraparah 3.1, at Jajepore .075. Though frequent and heavy rain was less constant last week and some breaking; crops under water in low lands, but not damaged. Prospects excellent. Sporadic cholera.
38	Pooree, 13th " "	2.31	There has been copious rain, which is falling daily. The weeding of the early rice crop and the transplanting of the late rice are going on well on high lands. Operations on low lands are at a stand-still, owing to excessive rain, which has submerged them and caused some slight harm to the crops in certain parts of the district. Sugarcane is doing well. Cotton is being gathered. Maudia (pulse) is being weeded, arhar (pulse) castor and tael or oil-seed plants are doing well. The prospects of all the crops are yet fair and hopeful. The rivers rose and have now fallen. The flood has caused some considerable damage. Prices are stationary in the market. Cholera and fever continue, but in a diminished degree.
39	Bainsore, 14th " "	2.71	Rain has fallen on six days of the week. The fall has been particularly heavy in the south-east of the district, where a great part of the pergunnahs in the north bank of the Byturnee has been under water for a considerable time, and fears are entertained for the safety of the crop in low lying plains. General prospects are excellent.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
40	Hasnareebagh, 14th Aug. 1874.	3.90	Rain throughout the district exactly as required. Early millet crop being reaped. Not a grumble anywhere. Heavy rain early in the week; fine, steady, Calcutta weather at present. Cholera less, small-pox less, but typhoid in the barracks as before. Jails, European and native, perfectly healthy.
41	Lohardugga, 14th Aug. 1874.	2.61	Cloudy and close, but little or no rain since the 8th, when the fall was 2.80. The weather has been very favorable for harvesting the goundli (millet) crop, which is said to be a full one. All the other crops at present promise very well. In Palamou the rainfall has been 2.85. The bhadoi or early crops there are reported to be particularly fine, and the rice prospects excellent. General health pretty good.
42	Mingboon	Return not received.	
43	Mambhoon, 15th Aug. 1874.	0.41	Dry weather. There has again been another break in the rains, and from the centre and south-east of the district the reports are less favorable than last week. In the sub-division of Hobindpore the prospects are good, as more rain has fallen there. No damage has yet been done, but more rain is very much required. The maturing of the early crops in some places is being delayed, and in others transplanting is hindered for want of water in the fields situated on high land.

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Weekly Report of Rainfall compiled at the Meteorological Reporter's Office.

DISTRICT.	SUB-DISTRICT.	STATION.	Rain from 20th July to 1st Aug. 1871.	Rain from 20th Aug. to 8th Aug. 1871.	RAIN FROM 1ST JANUARY 1871.		REMARKS.
					Inches.	Up to date.	
BENGAL.							
BARRACKPORE.	WESTERN DISTRICTS.	Baruwan ...	9.03	1.01	38.67	8th Aug.	
		Barua ...	0.07	1.89	39.58	ditto.	
		Calcutta ...	4.99	2.04	38.30	ditto.	
		Handwood ...	2.33	1.99	31.14	ditto.	
		Handegunge ...	1.00	1.76	27.92	ditto.	
		Jehanabad ...	2.66	2.21	26.31	ditto.	
	Bankura	Bankura ...	0.93	1.73	28.79	ditto.	
		Scorse ...	1.82	3.41	33.19	ditto.	
	Midnapore	Midnapore ...	3.88	2.58	19.48	ditto.	
		Tundak ...	4.11	2.80	28.01	ditto.	
		Gurbela ...	1.28	1.45	20.47	ditto.	
		Contai ...	0.90	8.63	4.03	1st Aug.	
Hooghly	Hooghly ...	2.27	2.40	27.51	8th Aug.		
	Serampore ...	5.00	2.97	26.00	ditto.		
Howrah	Howrah ...	3.73	2.18	20.21	ditto.		
FARIDPUR.	CENTRAL DISTRICTS.	Saugor Island ...	6.40	7.40	45.45	ditto.	
		Calcutta ...	5.27	4.90	26.11	ditto.	
	Alipore { Dispensary	Alipore ...	2.22	4.24	27.37	ditto.	
		Alipore { Jail	4.06	3.16	26.03	ditto.	
	Busserhat ...	2.00	0.87	21.40	ditto.		
	Barasat ...	5.50	1.34	29.18	ditto.		
	Diamond Harbour ...	4.37	3.66	29.31	ditto.		
	Hatfield ...	3.61	4.28	27.85	ditto.		
	Sakhira ...	1.14	1.62	23.94	ditto.		
	Barrackpore ...	1.16	2.46	20.26	ditto.		
	Dum-Dum ...	2.62	2.90	23.00	ditto.		
	Nudda	Kishnaghar ...	2.46	1.68	30.28	ditto.	
		Bongong ...	0.07	0.40	25.66	ditto.	
		Mohorpur ...	1.14	0.98	29.15	ditto.	
		Chandragah ...	0.80	0.73	3.21	ditto.	
Koodia ...		0.80	0.81	31.62	ditto.		
Ranghat ...		1.90	3.19	28.22	ditto.		
Jessore ...		0.71	2.33	29.19	ditto.		
Nazal ...		1.24	1.83	33.25	ditto.		
Khoulia ...		5.76	2.15	33.03	ditto.		
Jamshedpur ...		0.63	0.67	24.36	ditto.		
Jamshedpur.	Hughes ...	3.78	0.63	24.35	ditto.		
	Macorah ...	1.28	1.67	30.01	ditto.		
	Berhampore ...	0.78	0.74	26.11	ditto.		
	Rampore Hunt ...	1.06	2.62	29.31	ditto.		
	City Meershedabad ...	1.05	1.31	29.41	ditto.		
	Jamshedpur ...	1.27	4.07	29.27	ditto.		
	Asimgunge ...	1.16	1.88	31.84	ditto.		
	Lalgolia ...	1.60	0.60	27.01	ditto.		
	Dinagpore ...	1.81	2.00	44.57	ditto.		
	Maidah	Maidah ...	1.96	0.81	30.46	ditto.	
Rajshahy	Rajshah ...	0.78	2.95	27.94	ditto.		
	Natow ...	0.98	3.24	42.30	ditto.		
Rangpore	Rangpore ...	0.52	0.58	60.22	ditto.		
	Bhowangung ...	1.13	0.37	27.20	ditto.		
	Titalya ...	0.80	6.45	65.35	ditto.		
Bogra	Bogra ...	1.80	0.73	61.90	ditto.		
Pubna	Pubna ...	0.55	0.78	23.42	ditto.		
	Serajgunj ...	0.95	1.00	34.35	ditto.		
Darjeeling.	Darjeeling. { Telegraph Office	Not rec.	Not rec.	63.93	16th July.		
	Darjeeling. { Hospital	2.36	6.86	61.01	8th Aug.		
Jalpaiguri.	Jalpaiguri ...	0.80	3.20	67.67	ditto.		
	Behal ...	2.11	6.23	71.23	ditto.		
	Buxa { Commissioner's Office	1.21	7.10	131.41	ditto.		
	Buxa { Civil Surgeon's Office	1.20	7.10	104.07	ditto.		
Coch Behar.	Coch Behar Tributary State.	0.23	6.28	103.70	ditto.		
	Coch Behar	0.23	6.28	103.70	ditto.		

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DIVISION.	DISTRICT.	STATION.	Rain from 1st July to 1st Aug. 1874.		Rain from 1st July to 1st Aug. 1874.		RAIN FROM 1ST JANUARY 1874.		REMARKS.
			Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Up to date.		
BENGAL—(Continued.)									
Dacca.	KARTOOP DISTRICTS.		Inches.	Inches.			1874.		
	Dacca	Dacca { Telegraph Office ...	3.11	0.42	34.67	8th Aug.			
		{ Hospital ...	3.41	0.49	36.13	ditto.			
		Moonsheegunge ...	5.07	0.95	42.08	ditto.			
	Ferozpoore	Manickgunge ...	1.19	1.09	31.98	ditto.			
		Ferozpoore ...	1.96	1.91	39.46	ditto.			
		Gualundo ...	0.44	1.48	30.13	ditto.			
	Duckergunge	Madaripore ...	2.50	1.79	47.10	ditto.			
		Burisal ...	4.94	0.07	40.72	ditto.			
		Persepore ...	4.27	1.00	27.01	ditto.			
	Mymensingh	Patoakhally ...	1.49	1.34	52.15	ditto.			
		Dowlatkhan ...	0.63	4.95	53.38	ditto.			
		Mymensingh ...	0.83	0.08	48.77	ditto.			
	Sylhet	Jamalpoore ...	0.40	0.91	30.56	ditto.			
		Atia ...	1.15	1.70	29.04	ditto.			
		Kishoregunge ...	5.65	1.00	40.98	ditto.			
Chittagong.	Cachar	Sylhet ...	5.33	3.73	98.26	ditto.			
		Cachar ...	Not rec.	Not rec.	68.70	11th July.			
		Hylakandy ...	ditto	ditto	60.58	12th July.			
	Chittagong	Koyah ...	3.06	1.45	71.91	8th Aug.			
		Chittagong { Telegraph Office ...	11.50	1.40	68.50	ditto.			
		{ Jail ...	3.38	1.29	63.39	ditto.			
	Noakhally	Cox's Bazar ...	14.24	2.35	69.44	ditto.			
		Noakhally ...	5.99	4.90	59.56	ditto.			
	Tipperah	Comillah ...	3.32	3.82	51.26	ditto.			
		Brahmunberish ...	2.52	1.59	36.29	ditto.			
	Chittagong Hill Tracts	Rungamtee Hill ...	3.32	1.46	47.53	ditto.			
		Hill Tipperah ...	0.79	2.80	41.73	ditto.			
BEHAR.									
PATNA.	Patna	Patna ...	2.54	0.84	28.23	ditto.			
		Behar ...	1.52	2.38	26.43	ditto.			
		Barh ...	0.59	3.33	19.82	ditto.			
	Gya	Dinapore { Jail ...	1.80	1.80	31.79	ditto.			
		{ Cantonment ...	2.70	1.20	29.47	ditto.			
		Gya ...	2.84	3.64	26.81	ditto.			
	Shahabad	Nowadah ...	0.99	3.80	31.69	ditto.			
		Arungabad ...	2.25	7.21	31.06	ditto.			
		Jehanabad ...	1.47	2.00	24.76	ditto.			
	Tirhoot	Arrah ...	1.10	4.87	31.61	ditto.			
		Sameram ...	2.58	3.10	26.19	ditto.			
		Buxar ...	1.13	3.35	23.40	ditto.			
	Bihar	Bhuboesah ...	1.29	5.37	36.32	ditto.			
		Mazufferpore ...	2.05	0.37	24.71	ditto.			
		Darbhanga ...	1.08	0.74	33.00	ditto.			
Champarn	Hajepore ...	2.39	2.75	26.50	ditto.				
	Modhobunnaw ...	0.96	0.59	27.18	ditto.				
	Sestanturhee ...	0.63	0.50	22.46	ditto.				
Monghyr	Tajpore ...	1.04	0.05	24.23	ditto.				
	Choprah ...	0.95	3.40	26.54	ditto.				
	Sewan ...	0.08	1.55	24.24	ditto.				
Bhagalpore	Motebharre ...	0.50	3.25	20.28	ditto.				
	Bettiah ...	0.35	1.48	32.72	ditto.				
	Monghyr ...	1.79	2.00	33.30	ditto.				
Bhagalpore	Bogies Barai ...	0.75	2.26	17.83	ditto.				
	Jamsoore ...	3.15	4.31	30.33	ditto.				
	Bhagalpore ...	1.14	0.53	29.67	ditto.				
Purneah	Supool ...	0.00	6.04	40.80	ditto.				
	Modhayspore ...	1.00	Not rec.	22.38	1st Aug.				
	Ranka ...	0.71	2.30	30.19	8th Aug.				
Sonthal Pargannahs.	Naploore ...	0.82	2.03	33.29	ditto.				
	Purneah ...	1.44	4.97	37.11	ditto.				
	Kisengunge ...	0.55	4.74	52.09	ditto.				
Sonthal Pargannahs.	Arrah ...	0.99	6.59	49.54	ditto.				
	Doughur ...	2.78	3.31	25.15	ditto.				
	Rajmehal ...	0.40	0.80	18.90	ditto.				
Sonthal Pargannahs.	Nya Dookma ...	2.71	7.10	33.50	ditto.				
	Godda ...	2.05	0.80	22.50	ditto.				

District.	District.	Station.	Rain from 30th July to 1st Aug. 1874.	Rain from 1st Aug. to 8th Aug. 1874.	RAIN FROM 1ST JANUARY 1874.		REMARKS.	
					Inches.	Up to date.		
ORISSA.								
Orissa.	Cuttack	Cuttack { Telegraph Office ...	5.30	3.30	44.48	1874.		
		Cuttack { Hospital ...	6.48	4.30	44.74	8th Aug.		
		Cuttack { Jajpur ...	7.16	Not rec.	83.60	1st Aug.		
		Cuttack { Kendrapara ...	7.20	ditto	93.60	ditto.		
		Cuttack { Jagatsinghpore ...	9.90	ditto	24.75	ditto.		
		Cuttack { Pulse Point ...	8.35	5.90	34.36	8th Aug.		
	Pooree	Pooree ...	4.61	4.28	39.89	ditto.		
		Khordah ...	4.65	4.65	43.01	ditto.		
	Balasore	Balasore ...	11.31	3.82	31.30	ditto.		
		Bindhruck ...	8.41	1.03	32.20	ditto.		
		Jalesore ...	16.07	1.70	41.57	ditto.		
		Sorah ...	14.21	1.61	33.95	ditto.		
		Chandbally ...	8.70	4.65	31.45	ditto.		
		Cuttack Tributary Mohal ...	5.45	5.99	39.60	ditto.		
	CHOTA NAGPORE.							
SOUTH-WESTERN FRONTIER AGENT.								
Orissa.	Hazaribagh	Hazaribagh { Jail ...	3.00	4.65	31.41	ditto.		
		Hazaribagh { Dispensary ...	3.84	4.36	36.55	ditto.		
		Pachumba ...	3.28	2.47	30.43	ditto.		
	Loharduggah	Ranchee ...	8.03	10.40	32.52	ditto.		
		Palamow ...	7.01	3.63	45.46	ditto.		
	Singbhoom	Chybasa ...	8.11	5.45	33.22	ditto.		
	Manbhoom	Purulia ...	2.04	3.02	22.20	ditto.		
		Govindpore ...	2.80	5.57	39.22	ditto.		
	ASSAM & ADJACENT HILLS.							
	Orissa.	Goalparah	Goalparah ...	Not rec.	Not rec.	65.80	11th July.	
			Dhubree ...	ditto	ditto	69.38	6th July.	
		Kamroop	Gowhatti ...	ditto	ditto	49.82	ditto.	
			Burpattab ...	ditto	ditto	48.17	ditto.	
		Darrung	Tezpur ...	ditto	ditto	27.44	20th June.	
			Mungledge ...	ditto	ditto	36.46	ditto.	
Nowgong		Nowgong ...	ditto	ditto	39.60	11th July.		
Soanmugor		Soanmugor ...	1.55	ditto	95.78	1st Aug.		
		Golaghat ...	1.51	ditto	69.82	ditto.		
		Jorahat ...	3.93	ditto	78.90	ditto.		
		Nazurah ...	0.31	ditto	86.22	ditto.		
Lachimpore		Dabrooghur ...	Not rec.	ditto	44.95	23rd May.		
		North Lachimpore ...	ditto	ditto	61.33	10th June.		
		Suddya ...	ditto	ditto	47.61	23rd May...	Not rec. 6th to 11th April.	
Naga Hills		Samoooodding ...	ditto	ditto	25.04	18th July.		
Kham and Jyntah Hills	Shillong ...	ditto	ditto	11.10	19th May.			
	Jowai ...	ditto	ditto	21.50	ditto.			
	Cherrapoonjee ...	ditto	ditto	133.03	23rd May.			
Garo Hills	Tura ...	ditto	ditto	69.25	11th July.			
	Benares ...	8.18	4.57	37.74	8th Aug.			
	Akyab ...	11.50	7.10	62.90	ditto.			

CALCUTTA,
The 15th August 1874.

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Meteorological Telegraphic Report for the period 9th to 15th August 1874.

STATION.	Date.	Hour.	Barometer reduced to 32°.	Barometer reduced to sea-level.	THERMOMETER.		Humidity, at 32°.	WIND.		Rain.	Clouds.	Weather initials.
					Dry.	Wet.		Direction.	Velocity.			
CALCUTTA.	9th	10	29.561	29.538	88.5	83.0	78	S	42	0.32	CK	
		11	29.521	29.528	84.5	81.4	88	S E	53	0.21		
		12	29.522	29.540	85.5	82.0	85	S W	55	0.21		
	10th	10	29.520	29.538	80.9	79.5	82	S	52	0.20		
		11	29.529	29.547	84.0	80.5	85	S S E	49	...	K	
		12	29.516	29.534	88.2	81.5	73	S E	57	...	C, CS	
	11th	10	29.498	29.520	86.5	82.0	81	S S E	44	...	K	
		11	29.530	29.544	80.3	81.5	79	S S E	0.8	...	S	
		12	29.492	29.510	87.2	81.4	73	S S E	4.8	...	C, K	
	12th	10	29.511	29.520	85.5	79.8	77	S S E	7.7	0.11		
		11	29.507	29.515	84.7	80.0	80	S S E	5.6	...	C, K	
		12	29.507	29.525	87.0	80.5	77	S S E	8.2	0.03	C, S	
HATON ISLAND.	9th	10	29.522	29.540	85.5	80.8	79	S E	5.4	...		
		11	29.543	29.560	84.1	81.0	85	S	10.0	0.05		
		12	29.513	29.510	87	82	79	S W	5.2	...	N	
	10th	10	29.510	29.510	80	83	70	S E	0.6	...	N	
		11	29.534	29.540	85	80	79	S S W	4.4	...	N	
		12	29.519	29.525	80	83	70	S	4.4	...	N	
	11th	10	29.489	29.505	85	80	79	W	0.9	0.20	N	
		11	29.544	29.560	88	80	75	S E	7.8	...	N	
		12	29.514	29.530	86	81	79	S S E	6.4	...	N	
	12th	10	29.483	29.500	88	81	79	S S E	5.0	...	N	
		11	29.541	29.547	81	79	91	S S W	6.5	0.20	N	
		12	29.555	29.561	84	79	81	S S W	7.5	...	N	
CHITTAGONG.	9th	10	29.533	29.545	80	80	95	S S E	0.5	0.20	N	
		11	29.533	29.545	85	82	87	S S W	0.5	...	N	
		12	29.509	29.515	82	79	87	S W	5.1	1.30	N	
	10th	10	29.501	29.507	82	79	87	S W	7.3	0.10	N	
		11	29.503	29.505	84	79	79	E	3.2	...	K, KS	
		12	29.492	29.504	85	80	79	S	7.9	...	K, K, KS	
	11th	10	29.521	29.513	87	81	72	S E	4.8	...	K	
		11	29.529	29.521	84	80	79	S S E	13.0	...	K, KS	
		12	29.531	29.523	86	80	76	E S E	0.9	0.10	K	
	12th	10	29.514	29.526	84	80	83	S	12.2	0.20	K	
		11	29.516	29.504	83	79	83	S S E	7.5	...	K, KN	
		12	29.522	29.510	84	80	83	S S E	7.0	...	K, KS	
MADRAS.	9th	10	29.511	29.503	86	79	72	S E	5.8	...	K	
		11	29.529	29.522	81	79	91	S S E	10.0	0.10	KS	
		12	29.526	29.518	84	79	79	S S E	6.0	...	K, KS	
	10th	10	29.534	29.526	85	77	88	S E	13.1	...	K	
		11	29.523	29.515	86	79	75	S S E	6.0	...	K, CK	
		12	29.501	29.493	94	78	75	S	1.4	...	CK, C	
	11th	10	29.530	29.500	87	78	69	W	12	0.12		
		11	29.513	29.543	86	77	69	E N E	9	...		
		12	29.578	29.569	83	74	63	W S W	11	...		
	12th	10	29.551	29.581	86	74	64	W S W	11	0.06		
		11	29.541	29.571	91	77	50	S W	8	...		
		12	29.586	29.518	85	75	60	S W	9	0.04		
CUTTACK.	9th	10	29.631	29.601	87	78	65	N E by N	8	0.01		
		11	29.720	29.750	89	79	59	W	10	...		
		12	29.616	29.646	86	79	72	E S E	10	...		
	10th	10	29.750	29.720	85	79	75	S S W	9	0.73		
		11	29.690	29.650	91	78	63	S by W	6	...		
		12	29.738	29.718	88	78	55	W	12	...		
	11th	10	29.651	29.641	90	77	63	E by S	8	...		
		11	29.590	29.602	86	81	70	W N W	2.0	1.20	C, S, K	
		12	29.417	29.520	84	80	83	S S W	4.0	...	N, C	
	12th	10	29.655	29.638	81	77	83	W N W	2.3	0.30	N, C	
		11	29.600	29.542	84	80	83	S	3.0	...	C, K, N	
		12	29.543	29.625	85	79	75	S	2.8	...	CK	
ARAB.	9th	10	29.587	29.519	86	80	75	S	3.0	...	C, K, N	
		11	29.640	29.622	85	79	75	S S W	1.8	...	CK, K, N	
		12	29.465	29.547	87	80	72	S	3.6	...	S, N, K, C	
	10th	10	29.558	29.611	81	78	84	S	2.2	0.30	S, CK	
		11	29.447	29.629	85	81	85	S W	1.1	0.30	N	
		12	29.545	29.658	83	79	87	W S W	3.7	0.30	C, S, N, C	
	11th	10	29.463	29.635	83	79	83	S S W	4.5	...	C, S, N, C	
		11	29.682	29.652	90	78	91	S W	2.7	0.10	N	
		12	29.489	29.571	81	78	88	S S W	8.1	0.10	N	
	12th	10	29.674	29.607	83	80	87	S	1.8	...		
		11	29.505	29.587	83	79	83	S	7.1	...		
		12	29.617	29.704	83	80	87	S S E	4.6	0.90		

* Velocity of wind in miles per hour.

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Abstract of Observations as received in the Meteorological Office, Calcutta, during the month of June 1874.

N.B.—The barometric data are reduced for temperatures and not for height above sea-level.

STATIONS.	Height above sea-level.	BAROMETRICAL.				RADIATION.				TEMPERATURE OF AIR.						HUMIDITY.				RAINFALL.	
		Mean of		Range.		Solar.		Globe.		Mean of		Mean of		Highest.		Lowest.		Mean of		In inches.	
		4 hours.	10 hours.	16 hours.	24 hours.	Day.	Night.	Day.	Night.	4 hours.	10 hours.	16 hours.	24 hours.	Day.	Night.	Day.	Night.	4 hours.	10 hours.	16 hours.	24 hours.
		Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean.
at Bar	01	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	02	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	03	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	04	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	05	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	06	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	07	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	08	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	09	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	10	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	11	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	12	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	13	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	14	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	15	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	16	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	17	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	18	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	19	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	20	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	21	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	22	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	23	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	24	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	25	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	26	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	27	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	28	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	29	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765
at Bar	30	29.731	29.765	29.748	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765	29.731	29.765

Calcutta.—June 1874.

Mean barometric pressure of 16 years	29.643	Mean temperature of 16 years	84.9	Mean humidity of 16 years	81	Mean rainfall in 16 years	19.04
Excess in 1874	29.600	Excess in 1874	83.9	Excess in 1874	83.9	Excess in 1874	19.04
Deficit in 1874	0.043	Deficit in 1874	1.0	Deficit in 1874	1.0	Deficit in 1874	0.043

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BENGAL FAMINE.

TWENTY-FOURTH SPECIAL NARRATIVE OF THE DROUGHT IN BENGAL FROM THE 7TH AUGUST TO THE 20TH AUGUST 1874.

Weather and Rainfall.—The general cry throughout the country is for more rain, except in Cuttack, the greater part of the Chota Nagpore division, and South Behar. But the parts of the country where actual damage to the crops has been caused by the drought are limited in area; the worst tracts being that at the junction of the Moorshedabad, Beerbhoom, and Burdwan districts, and parts of South Tirhoot. The districts where rain is most urgently required are Tirhoot, Rajshahye, and Moorshedabad, and those of the Burdwan and Presidency divisions.

Prospects of Crops.—The prospects of the autumn crops are on the whole good. It is generally admitted that there will be more than an average autumn crop in the great majority of districts, and in hardly any part of the country, except the few tracts where it has been submerged by floods, will it be much below the average. The tracts injured by floods have been for the most part low-lying lands, where crops are sown on the chance of a harvest, but where the cultivator's hopes are more often disappointed than not.

Prices.—Prices as a rule continue stationary, except in North-East and East Bengal and the Bhagulpore division, where they are generally lower than they were last fortnight. The fall of prices has been especially conspicuous in the Rungpore and Pubna districts, where it has fallen from 13 seers to 20-13 in the former district, and from 12-12 to 16-12 in the latter. The districts where prices have risen are Beerbhoom, Bankoora, Nuddea, Moorshedabad, Sylhet, Noakholly, Tipperah, Tirhoot, Sarun, Pooree, and Hazarcebagh; but the rise in almost all these districts has been insignificant. The highest rise in the distressed districts has been in Burdwan, where the prices have risen from 12-12 to 11-4 seers for the rupee.

Private Trade.—The usual note on the movements of food-grains will be found in Appendix A. The returns show a total increase in the up and down

traffic on the railway of 4,514 tons. The down trade appears to be still brisk, but the up traffic is falling off very considerably. The river traffic appears to be nearly stationary.

Tirhoot.—The deficiency of rain, especially towards the south of the district, has caused considerable anxiety during the fortnight. Towards the north of the district prospects are generally reported to be good; but in the south and even as far north as the southern part of Mudhobunnee the outturn of the bhadoi crop will be less than was expected, while the late rice crop will seriously suffer if heavy rain does not fall shortly.

Chumparun.—The prospects in this district are similar, but somewhat better than those in Tirhoot. There does not appear to be the same anxiety felt about the southern sub-divisions as in Tirhoot.

Sarun.—The prospects of the bhadoi are generally exceedingly fine. Rain has been very unequally distributed throughout the district; some parts having an ample rainfall, while others have not had enough for their requirements. Some of the crops in the south-east of the district have been destroyed by floods.

South Behar.—The prospects of crops in these districts continue to be magnificent, and there is very little distress.

Bhagulpore Division.—The reports from all the districts of this division continue to be exceedingly satisfactory. In parts of Monghyr and the Sonthal Pergunnahs fears are expressed that the bhadoi crop will not be so good as was expected; but even with regard to these tracts there seems to be a difference of opinion: and on the whole it cannot be said to be probable that the deficiency will be great in the small area alluded to, while the crop generally will be far above the average.

Rajshahye Division.—With the exception of Rajshahye and Moorsshedabad, the prospects of the crops are most excellent, and distress decreasing; but in parts of the two districts named there has been a deficiency of rain, though in the worst portion of the latter district rain had fallen on the date the Collector wrote his narrative.

Burdwan Division.—In Hooghly there has been a want of rain generally, but not sufficient to cause serious anxiety; and on the whole the prospects of the division, though not nearly so good as those in most other parts of the country, may be said to have improved during the fortnight, with the exception of a small tract to the east of Beerbhoom, bordering on Moorsshedabad, where there is great want of rain.

Chota Nagpore.—The only district from whence reports have been received is Manbhoom, and there prospects have decidedly improved. In the other districts distress has almost ceased to exist.

Relief Works.—The following statement shows the numbers on relief works during the fortnight as compared with that preceding it:—

		Last fortnight.	This fortnight.
Patna division	...	265,552	237,005
Gundak embankment	...	2,869	10,868
Soane Canal	...	28,455	26,874
Bhagulpore division	...	48,349	54,252
Rajshahye division	...	66,364	57,296
Northern Bengal Railway	...	5,795	5,537
Chota Nagpore and Burdwan divisions	...	33,732	32,536
Cooch Behar division	...	2,370	2,370
Total	...	453,486	426,738

Though the total numbers show a decrease, yet in some districts, owing to the cessation of the demand for field labour, the numbers on the works have increased; and possibly in some districts, where the bhadoi crop is not very good, there will be still further increase during next fortnight. The increase in the Bhagulpore division is more nominal than real, as no returns were received during the last fortnight from Bhagulpore. If the numbers employed in that district had been stated correctly in the last narrative, the total for the division would have been 54,572, or somewhat more than that shown during the present fortnight.

The following tabular statement shows the numbers employed in each district, with details, as far as they are available, of those employed on task and piece-work respectively:—

DIVISION.	Names of Districts.	Laborers under Public Works Department.	Laborers under circle officers.	Total laborers.	Task or piece-work.	Daily wages.
PATNA	Tirhoot, North	15,838	50,597	66,435	13,197	24,993
	Tirhoot, South	None.	90,597	90,597	No details.	No details.
	Chumpanari	1,994	7,977	9,971	Ditto.	Ditto.
	Barua	99,765	2,016	101,781	(b) 12,398	(b) 12,398
	Patna	None.	None.	None.	191	1,034
	Patna	1,215	215	1,430	3,060	41
	Shahabad	3,408	293	3,701	.....	.....
	Total	108,930	128,075	236,005	.....	.....
	Gunduk Embankment	10,408	None.	10,408	10,569	.....
	Sease Canal	26,474	None.	26,474	26,574	.....
PATNA	Total	37,742	None.	37,742	.....	.....
	Total for Patna Division	146,672	128,075	274,747	.....	.....
BHAGULPORE	Manchya	2,151	None.	2,151	No details.	No details.
	Bhagulpore	None.	23,433	23,433	Ditto.	Ditto.
	Purneah	3,824	13,183	16,987	3,621	12,139
	South Pargunnah	3,079	9,890	11,969	No details.	No details.
	Total	8,854	45,426	54,280	.....	.....
RAJSHAH	Maldah	1,118	3,235	4,353	No details.	No details.
	Dinapore	Zone.	14,193	14,193	None.	14,438
	Rourkum	112	6,370	6,482	112	3,379
	Boara	None.	None.	None.	None.	None.
	Mirzabad	6,977	6,977	6,977	895	25,092
	Rajshahye	805	23,462	24,267	.....	.....
	Pubna	None.	None.	None.	.....	.....
	Total	8,112	40,184	48,296	.....	.....
CHOTA NAGPORE	Northern Bengal Railway	5,337	None.	5,337	5,337	.....
	Manbhoom	5,606	1,474	7,080	.....	No details.
	Palamou (a)	853	None.	853	.....	Ditto.
	Manababegh (a)	7,461	None.	7,461	.....	Ditto.
BURDWAY	Total	13,257	1,474	14,731	.....	.....
	Hooghly	2,667	None.	2,667	2,667	No details.
	Burdwan (a)	3,322	1,440	4,762	.....	.....
	Burdwan	3,810	None.	3,810	.....	.....
	Total	11,799	4,008	15,807	.....	.....
COOCH BEHAR	Jalpaiguri (a)	3,379	None.	3,379	No details.	No details.
	Grand Total	190,571	230,157	420,728	.....	.....

(a.) Last fortnight's figures.

(b.) Details imperfect.

Gunduk Embankment and Canal.—The number of labourers has increased during the fortnight, and the work is progressing favourably. 2,004,720 cubic feet of excavation and embankment have been completed during the fortnight, and 1,232,798 superficial feet of dressing and turfing.

Seane Canal.—The number of labourers was somewhat decreased; about 37 lakhs of cubic feet of earth-work have been completed in the Kurumnassa division during the fortnight.

Northern Bengal.—There is little demand for labour in the country through which this line runs, especially in its northern and southern portions. The total amount of earth-work completed up to date is 71,720,000 cubic feet, equal to 147½ miles of 4-foot bank, with a top width of 15 feet. During the fortnight more than 21 lakhs of cubic feet of earth-work have been thrown up.

Charitable Relief.—The following table shows the number of persons in the receipt of charitable relief in each district, as compared with those of the previous fortnight:—

DIVISIONS.	Names of Districts.	Number of centres.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.
PATNA	Tirhoot, North	681	208,072	204,078
	Tirhoot, South		27,220	31,067
	Chumpanan (a)	47	11,732	32,428
	Sarun	18	44,837	44,387
	Patna	None.	None.	None
	Gya	11	2,120	1,868
	Shahabad	15	5,620	3,932
	Total	773	299,001	318,683
BAGULPORE	Monghyr	10	10,771	9,856
	Bhagulpore (b)	19	7,872	45,172
	Purneah	55	14,053	25,203
	Southern Pargunnahs		3,365	3,913
	Total	83	35,951	77,934
RAJSHAHY	Maldah	78	9,415	10,068
	Pinagore	447	80,123	95,139
	Rangpore	13	4,501	9,430
	Rocra	4	37,780	40,312
	Murshidabad	44	19,787	18,605
	Rajshahye	44	25,635	24,608
	Polna		4,919	5,223
	Total	630	140,980	206,874
CHOTA NAGPORE...	Manbhoom		21,948	16,214
BURDWAN	Hoochly		17,768	8,194
	Berhloom		31,195	23,075
	Bankoora		21,862	28,716
	Burdwan (c)	6	67,595	61,392
	Total	6	149,660	121,317
	Grand Total	1,461	647,550	749,346

(a) Last fortnight's figures. Returns incomplete: number receiving relief from villages not stated.

(b) Revised figures received by telegram.

(c) Including Maharaja's centres.

From the above statements it will be seen that for the first time since the beginning of the distress the very satisfactory fact has to be recorded of a decrease both in the numbers on relief works, and in those of the recipients on charitable relief. The total numbers in the receipt of charitable relief have decreased from 749,256 to 647,550. The decrease has taken place in almost every district, and is especially notable in the districts of the Rajshahye division. It is only in Burdwan that there is a general increase; in that division Bankoora alone shows a decrease, while the increase in the other districts is large.

By order of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal,

J. F. K. HEWITT,

Offg. Junior Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

APPENDIX A TO THE 24TH SPECIAL NARRATIVE.

Movement of Food-grains.

1. The total exports of food-grains from the Bengal Presidency during July were 9,802 tons; the details are given in Schedule A.

The imports to Calcutta during the same month were 7,619 tons; of which 1,748 were on Government, and 5,871 on private account. The bulk of the latter were from ports on the Orissa and Madras coasts.

The total figures from the beginning of November 1873 to the end of July 1874 are—

	Tons.
Exports from the Bengal Presidency ...	249,874
Imports to the Port of Calcutta ...	443,892

2. The following figures show (in tons) the quantity of food-grains "sent up from stations below Rajmehal and Jamoos, and down from stations above Mirzapore, which was delivered at stations between Rajmehal and Buxar (inclusive)" between the 26th July and the 8th August, compared with the figures for the previous fortnight—

	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	Increase	Decrease
Up ...	4,301	11,516	Nil.	7,215
Down ...	15,178	7,914	7,264	Nil.
Total ...	19,479	19,430	7,264	7,215

The increase is all in private grain. The decrease is 4,465 tons in Government, and 2,750 tons in private, grain. The totals to date (from the beginning of November) of the returns on which the above figures are based, and which are for Behar only, are given below. The "up" figures are only approximately correct. Appendix B, however, shows in detail the destination of all the Government grain sent up from Howrah since the commencement of operations:—

	Government grain.	Private grain.	Total.
Up ...	286,098	156,526	442,624
Down ...	29,330	214,604	253,934
Total ...	335,428	371,130	696,558

3. The importations of food-grains by the eastern canals from the 1st to 14th August were 1,688 tons (against 3,438 tons during the previous fortnight), making in all 203,626 tons since 1st October 1873.

4. The private traffic registered on the Ganges is as shown below:—

Stations.	Date.	Direction.	Tons.	To date from 1st November 1873.
Seahergunge ...	2nd to 15th August ...	Up the Ganges ...	1,024	42,680
Ditto ...	Ditto ...	Down the do. ...	2,817	24,091
Goolundo ...	26th July to 1st August ...	Up the do. ...	■	23,235
Koachtan ...	Ditto ...	Down the do. ...	85	18,026

The grain sent upward was chiefly rice; the greater part of that sent down was wheat and gram for the Calcutta market. The continued decrease in the river traffic appears to be due to the fall and general equalisation of prices in the distressed districts accessible by water communication.

G. TOYNBEE, F.C.S.,

On Special Duty.

The 20th August 1874.

SCHEDULE A TO THE 24TH SPECIAL NARRATIVE.

Statement showing the quantity of rice (distinguishing table and other kinds), paddy, wheat, gram, and other food-grains, exported from the Presidency of Bengal for the month of July in the present year, and last year, respectively.

WHITHER EXPORTED.		1873-74.										1874-75.									
		RICE.		Paddy.		Total of rice and paddy.		OTHER FOOD-GRAINS.				RICE.		Paddy.		Total of rice and paddy.		OTHER FOOD-GRAINS.			
		Table.	Other kinds.	Table.	Other kinds.	Table.	Other kinds.	Wheat.	Gram.	Other kinds.	Total.	Table.	Other kinds.	Table.	Other kinds.	Wheat.	Gram.	Other kinds.	Total.		
1	1. To Calcutta	13	2,554	.....	.....	2,577	.....	37	127	164	2,591	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	79	93	169	2,593
2	2. To Mauritius, Bourbon, and West India Islands	135	7,000	.....	.....	7,135	972	967	579	2,123	9,258	29	2,167	.....	.....	2,196	90	135	225	9,383
3	3. To other Foreign Countries	1,335	4,304	.....	.....	5,739	1,605	17	30	1,652	7,394	13	280	2	2,005	2,145	110	23	2,278	7,607
4	4. Total to Foreign Countries	1,470	12,257	.....	.....	13,727	2,584	1,084	708	4,371	15,591	47	2,197	2	2,246	2,460	220	20	2,680	9,129
5	5. To other Presidencies (except Bengal)	317	2,031	11	.....	2,160	60	177	623	2,961	6,974	116	264	.....	260	4	27	287	7,261	9,441
	Grand Total	3,409	18,700	11	.....	18,550	3,240	1,100	1,401	6,771	24,573	163	2,477	2	2,481	2,604	290	497	3,391	9,377

CALCUTTA, CUSTOM HOUSE,
The 12th August 1874.

T. B. LARKY,
Offr. Collector of Customs.

[C. E. G.]

APPENDIX B TO THE 24TH SPECIAL NARRATIVE.

Return of Grain despatched from Calcutta up to Tuesday, the 18th August 1874.—(Gross Railway weight.)

DIVISION IN WHICH TO BE USED.	Station to which sent.	Up to date of last return.	During the fortnight.	Total to date.	REMARKS.
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
PATNA	Arrah (for Harin)	4,24,140	63,806	4,88,046	
	(for Champaran)	77,476		77,476	
	Barh	16,04,383		16,04,383	
	Bankipore	63,676		64,276	
	Bhita	29,927		29,927	
	Bukharpore	23,235		23,235	
	Buxar	8,926		8,926	
	Dinapore	2,358		2,358	
	Dumraon	9,028		9,028	
	Futwah Ghat	(a) 20,50,627		20,50,627	(a) Of this 20,556 maunds was seed-grain.
	Muzambeh	1,08,880		1,03,880	
	Monghyr	(b) 7,66,906	64,716	8,31,622	(b) Of this 9,436 maunds was seed-grain.
	Patna Ghat	6,07,628	8,100	6,15,728	
	Sultanganje	(c) 68,858		69,858	(c) Of this 39,031 maunds was seed-grain.
	Zomana	16,927		16,927	
	Totals of Patna Division	68,27,946	1,36,732	69,64,678	
SONA CIRCLE	Arrah	28,803		28,803	
	Behera	2,078		2,078	
	Bhita	2,032		2,032	
	Buxar	4,354		4,354	
	Mogul Bani	33,521		33,521	
	Totals of Sona Circle	80,848		80,848	
	Grand Totals, Patna Division and Sona Circle	69,08,793	1,36,732	70,45,525	
BHAGALPORE	Bhagalpore	(d) 1,61,596		1,61,596	(d) Besides this 22,351 maunds were sent via Bhagalpore and Colgong to Nepal.
	Burhapore	2,275		2,275	
	Burhea	3,744		3,744	
	Caragolah	3,00,331		3,00,331	
	Colgong	3,42,087		3,42,087	
	Chidbaur	1,981		1,981	
	Jamouee	26,810		26,810	
	Kupah	3,606		3,606	
	Louka Serai	79,841		79,841	
	Monghyr	3,70,821		3,70,821	
	Peerpontee	64,210	10,186	74,396	
	Rahalgunge	15,483	2,095	17,578	
	Sultanganje	2,77,349		2,77,349	
	Sakawa	20,881	1,013	21,894	
	Teempahar	11,053		11,053	
	Maharajpore	3,733		3,733	
	Moortaroon	20,449		20,449	
	Hampore Hat	6,115		6,115	
	Jamtarra	17,373		17,373	
	Hartynath	2,114		2,114	
RAJSHAHYE	Synthes	6,126		6,126	
	Nulhattee	2,704		2,704	
	Rajmehal	5,599	7,136	12,735	
	Mullarpore	1,154	1,013	2,167	
	Totals of Bhagalpore Division	17,26,835	41,363	17,68,198	
	Goalundo	4,91,870	(e) 14,738	5,06,608	(e) This belongs to the Dacca Division. It was sent to Goalundo to clear the Benha Station.
	Kaliganje	1,85,781		1,85,781	
	Koushtia	11,73,356	19,881	11,93,237	(f) Includes 2,025 maunds sent to Dinapore jail.
	Rajmehal	7,89,628		8,06,823	
	Sachegunge	1,29,515		1,32,315	
CHOTA NAGPORE	Shohajipara	75,846		75,846	
	Axingunge	10,768	5,047	15,815	
	Synthes	2,077		2,077	
	Moortaroon	4,132	806	4,938	
	Nawal	3,309	8,666	11,975	
	Nulhattee	1,667	608	2,275	
	Kamipore Hat	7,503	4,010	11,513	
	Shopore	587		587	
	Saktipore		19,737	19,737	
	Shahapore		1,033	1,033	
	Totals of Rajshahye Division	21,45,833	37,058	21,82,891	
CHOTA NAGPORE	Burrahar	2,41,480	3,284	2,44,764	
	Guridoo	27,843		27,843	
	Totals of Chota Nagpore Division	2,69,323	3,284	2,72,607	

Return of Grain despatched from Calcutta up to Tuesday, the 18th August 1874.—(Gross Railway weight).—Continued.

DIVISION IN WHICH TO BE USED.	Station to which sent.	Up to date of last return.	During the fortnight.	Total to date.	REMARKS.
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
BURDWAN	Ranegunge	48,637	80,890	74,457	
	Burdwan	44,100	5,559	49,659	
	Bhulpore	19,879	4,070	23,749	
	Hoschly	19,200	4,600	23,345	
	Kaun Junction	8,233	1,478	9,701	
	Mugrah	304	.....	304	
	Pandorah	730	.....	730	
	Serampore	6,470	6,075	13,745	
	Syntha	11,537	3,039	14,565	
	Goskhara	9,268	4,577	13,785	
	Mancoor	38,351	6,559	44,910	
	Ahmoopore	9,467	4,060	13,507	
	Cutwa	74,712	10,135	84,837	
	Mullaspore	6,303	1,012	7,274	
	Assensole	369	101	470	
	Ilbadia	6,221	1,083	7,304	
	Horrakar	274	51	386	
	Culia	7,047	10,125	17,213	
	Douraspore	804	.....	804	
	Nymaree	5,020	.....	5,020	
	Paseeghar	4,114	8,991	7,445	
	Sektarampore	508	.....	508	
Totals of Burdwan Division ..		3,16,551	95,085	4,11,616	
PRESIDENCY	Ranaghat	498	.....	498	
	Ahpoore .....	.....	433	433	
	Kaungun .....	.....	20,647	20,647	
	Totals of Presidency Division ..	498	21,080	21,578	
Grand Totals of all Divisions ..		1,13,77,982	3,34,894	1,07,12,276	
Or tons		344,347	12,404	3,86,751	

G. TOTINER, C.S.,
On Special Duty.

No. A., dated Bankipore, the 9th August 1874.

From—A. C. MANOLE, Esq., Collector of Patna,

To—The Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal, Scarcity and Relief Department.

I HAVE the honor to submit the following narrative for the fortnight ending Saturday, the 8th instant.

A.—STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

3. The supply of food-grain continues to be abundant in the several bazars of the district, and no deficiency is reported from anywhere.

3. As I had stated in paragraph 8 of my last narrative might be expected, the importation of grain during the fortnight was considerably in excess of that of the previous fortnight, the quantity being 3,66,990 maunds against 1,63,848 maunds. This increase was, we may say, entirely owing to the publication of the Government order for the restoration of the old rate of freight of grain from the 1st proximo.

4. Owing to this final mob of importations, there was some inconvenience felt for a few days at the Patna City Station, the new siding being still incomplete; but I am glad to be able to report that the crush has passed away, and everything is now working smoothly again.

5. The following were the prices of food-grain prevailing towards the close of the fortnight:—

	Rice, best.	Rice, common.	Wheat.	Barley.	Jowra.	Gram.
	R. C.	R. C.	R. C.	R. C.	R. C.	R. C.
Patna	12 0	17 0	16 12	20 0	17 0	20 0
Barh	10 0	10 8	13 4	17 0	15 8	18 8
Behar	10 8	11 0	18 0	19 0	15 8	18 8
Dinapore	10 4	12 8	16 8	.....	17 0	18 13

6. We had 3.78 inches of rain at the Sadler Station during the fortnight, .92 at Barh, 1.9 at Behar, and 3.40 at Dinapore. The weather has been extremely favorable for the bhadoi crops throughout the district. The sub-divisional officer of Behar writes as follows:—“I visited some portions of the Behar and Sillao thanas during the last fortnight and found the bhadoi crops in a very flourishing condition. I can confidentially assure you from

what I saw myself, and what I heard from respectable zemindars and well-to-do ryots, that there is no possibility of any injury being done to the bhadoi crops. This year the land on which bhadoi was sown exceeded by one-fourth the usual quantity that used to be devoted to this purpose in previous years. The whole of this land, whether high or low, was well watered by the early rain we had in June, the result has been a "bumper crop," which will go to a great extent in relieving the wants of the people.

With the exception of Dinapore, however, where the sub-divisional officer reports that they have an abundance of water, rain is generally wanted throughout the district to allow of transplanting the young rice plants; but for this I am glad to say we have still some four or five weeks left, and from the appearance of the weather we may expect a good fall of rain any day, and, in fact, local showers are of almost daily occurrence.

7. The condition of the people is reported upon favorably from all parts of the district, and no case of misery or starvation was brought to light during the fortnight.

8. 138 emigrants were registered for Demerara and 27 for British Borneo during the fortnight; whereof 85 belonged to Patna, 24 to Gya, 22 to Shahabad, 2 to Tirhoot, 2 to Sarun, 1 to Champaran, and the rest to other districts.

9. There was no case of grain robbery reported during the fortnight; four cases of theft of a very petty nature were reported.

The monthly statement of crimes prescribed by the Government order of the 20th December last is herewith annexed.

B.—RELIEF WORKS.

10. None in this district.

C.—TRANSPORT OF GRAIN.

11. The subjoined statement will show the importation of food-grain into this district during the fortnight ending the 1st instant:—

	Rice.	Wheat, oats, and barley.	Jenira.	Other grain.
By rail	40,101	1,67,180	44,218	1,08,259
" river	3,970	40	1,580	2,012
Total	44,071	1,67,220	45,798	1,10,271

or a grand total of 3,66,990 maunds, all belonging to private trade.

D.—STORAGE OF THE GOVERNMENT GRAIN.

12. With the exception of the 1,139 maunds of Government grain stored at Pally-gunge, and to which I referred in my last narrative, we have none left in the district. Failing to get any local merchants to take it off my hands, I am now making a second attempt to get it as far as Bihta en route to Arrah for Sarun, and hope that I shall succeed.

The whole of the 11,000 maunds offered in exchange for the Behar grain has been received and despatched for Sarun; so also has the 27,683 maunds of Gya grain, for the exchange of which arrangements were made by Mr. Palmer with the city merchants. 4,300 maunds have unexpectedly, within the last three days, turned up by boat from Jehanabad, and this is now as quickly as possible being despatched to Chuprah, and that once done, our transport work, as at present advised, will have come to an end.

E.—ADVANCES TO PRIVATE PARTIES.

13. None during the fortnight. I have realised during the period under report a sum of Rs. 1,500 in part payment of the advance made for the purchase of grain.

F.—CHARITABLE RELIEF.

14. None in this district.

G.—FINANCIAL RESULTS.

	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
15. As per account already rendered	2,67,299 13 9	
During the Fortnight.		
To Mr. Rattray for transport of grain	40 0 0	
To the Akbari Mohurrir the contingent expenses of the several golas for July	14 0 9	
Office contingencies	0 12 0	
To the Akbari Mohurrir on account of transport of grain	11 10 0	
To Beharee Sing for conveying 1,000 maunds of coal from Patna to Hazaree for H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor's steamers	40 0 0	
To the Deputy Collector of Dinapore for contingent expenses	4 7 3	
To the Municipal Overseer on account of transport of grain	22 14 0	
To Beharee Sing for conveying gunny bags from Mohendro Ghat to Kunkura Ghat	17 8 0	
To Beharee Sing one month's advance for supply of 500 boats at Hazaree	3,000 0 0	
To the Deputy Collector of Dinapore on account of transport charge	160 0 0	
To Beharee Sing on account of transport of grain	1,518 10 6	
Total	4,824 14 6	
Fodder Account.		
Paid to Beharee Sing on account of conveying 5,325 maunds of bloom from Deogha to Bunker Ghat	780 8 9	5,545 7 3
Grand Total		2,72,945 5 0

In conclusion, I would now suggest that I might be excused from the submission of these fortnightly narratives as the prospects of the district are as favorable as they well could be, and we have no existing distress; should things take an unfavorable turn, I will not fail to keep Government informed of the same by means of special report.

PATNA DISTRICT.

Statement showing the number of the true cases of dacoity, robbery, theft and house-breaking for the month of July 1874, as called for by Government No. 4801, dated 20th December 1873.

DACOITY—

Headings Nos. 3 and 31 of crime return A1.	July 1874	...	...	...	...	0
	" 1873	...	...	...	...	0
	" 1872	...	...	...	...	0

ROBBERY—

Heading Nos. 32 and 33 of crime return A1.	July 1874	...	...	...	...	0
	" 1873	...	...	...	...	1
	" 1872	...	...	...	...	0

THEFT—

Heading No. 43 of crime return A1, including cattle theft.	July 1874	...	...	...	...	194
	" 1873	...	...	...	...	136
	" 1872	...	...	...	...	195

HOUSE-BREAKING OR HOUSE-TRESPASS IN ORDER TO COMMIT THEFT—

Heading Nos. 35, 36 and 42 of crime return A1.	July 1874	...	...	...	...	143
	" 1873	...	...	...	...	116
	" 1872	...	...	...	...	122

Total of four crimes	July 1874	...	...	...	...	336
	" 1873	...	...	...	...	255
	" 1872	...	...	...	...	317

PATNA POLICE OFFICE,
BANKIPORE;
The 8th August 1874.

A. C. MANGLES,
Magistrate.

No. 1233F, dated Gya, the 10th August 1874.

From—A. V. PALMER, Esq., Collector of Gya,

To—The Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal, Scarcity and Relief Department.

I HAVE the honor to submit my fortnightly report on scarcity and relief in the Gya District for the fortnight ending Saturday, the 8th instant.

A.—STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

- There is no dearth of food anywhere. The murwa and some of the burra janera has already found its way into the market. Prices are steady, and there is sufficiency and content.
- I annex a table of food-grain prices:—

SARAH.	WHEAT.		BARLEY.		RICE, NEW SORT.		RICE, COMMON.		MILLET.		MAIZE.		GRAM.	
	Week ending 8th August 1874.	Week ending 22nd July 1874.	Week ending 8th August 1874.	Week ending 22nd July 1874.	Week ending 8th August 1874.	Week ending 22nd July 1874.	Week ending 8th August 1874.	Week ending 22nd July 1874.	Week ending 8th August 1874.	Week ending 22nd July 1874.	Week ending 8th August 1874.	Week ending 22nd July 1874.	Week ending 8th August 1874.	Week ending 22nd July 1874.
Gya	S. C. 11 0	S. C. 11 6	S. C. 12 0	S. C. 12 6	S. C. 8 0	S. C. 8 6	S. C. 20 0	S. C. 18 0	S. C. 16 0	S. C. 16 0	S. C. 15 0	S. C. 15 0	S. C. 15 0	S. C. 15 0
Bowdich	12 0	12 6	12 0	12 6	8 0	8 6	20 0	18 0	16 0	16 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0
Jehanabad	12 0	12 6	12 0	12 6	8 0	8 6	20 0	18 0	16 0	16 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0
Arrangabad	12 0	12 6	12 0	12 6	11 0	11 6	20 0	18 0	16 0	16 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0
Banmangal	12 0	12 6	12 0	12 6	10 0	10 6	20 0	18 0	16 0	16 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0
Bharbhuy	12 0	12 6	12 0	12 6	9 0	9 6	20 0	18 0	16 0	16 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0

- During the fortnight under review we have had the best possible weather for the vigorous growth of bhadoi crops and dhan. The rainfall has been sufficient for all purposes, and I append a statement in the margin. All hands are fully employed in weeding and looking after the young crops, and there is no demand for relief labor by agricultural classes.

5. No cases of misery or starvation have been reported; and the very thorough enquiries made by the supervisors and deputy supervisors under Sir Richard Temple's instructions have almost precluded the possibility of such cases, if existing, from not being brought to notice.

6. I append a statement of grain thefts and robberies for the month of July:—

Statement showing the number of true cases of Dacoity, Robbery, Theft and House-breaking in which grain was stolen in the Gya District for the month of July 1874, as compared with the number of cases occurred in July 1873 and 1872.

Sub-Divisions	Theft, in which grain was stolen.			House-breaking, in which grain was stolen.			Total of all crimes.		
	Up to Rs. 10.			Above Rs. 10 & below Rs. 50.			Up to Rs. 10.		
	July 1874.	July 1873.	July 1872.	July 1874.	July 1873.	July 1872.	July 1874.	July 1873.	July 1872.
Gya	3	1	1	1	1	1	5	3	3
Jhansab	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	3	3
Nowadah	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	3	3
Aurangabad	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	3	3
Total	7	4	4	4	4	4	16	12	12

Statement showing the number of true cases of Dacoity, Robbery, Theft, and House-breaking in the District of Gya for the month of July 1874, as compared with the number of such cases in July 1873 and 1872.

	DACOITY			ROBBERY			THEFT			HOUSE-BREAKING.						Total of all crimes
	Headings 30 & 31 of crime statement. A. 1.			Headings 32 & 33 of crime statement. A. 1.			Heading 34 of crime statement A. 1. including cattle theft.			Headings 35 & 36 of crime statement. A. 1.						
	1874.			1873.			1872.			1874.		1873.		1872.		
	1874.	1873.	1872.	1874.	1873.	1872.	1874.	1873.	1872.	With theft.	Without theft.	With theft.	Without theft.	With theft.	Without theft.	
Gya	1	...	...	1	1	1	27	16	11	63	133	38	151
Jhansab	1	...	...	1	1	1	4	1	1	18	59	12	87
Nowadah	1	...	...	...	...	8	8	8	51	51	51	120
Aurangabad	11	9	9	56	81	22	138
Total	1	1	2	1	1	1	58	34	30	188	373	89	489

7. It will be observed that the increase in crime is by no means excessive, and it is very doubtful whether, such as it is, it can be wholly attributed to scarcity and high prices, though doubtless these have something to do with it.

8. The district has been thoroughly well sown down with food grains this year, and a larger area, than usual, has thus been occupied both with bhadoi and dhan. The Government grain stored in the west of the district is being freely taken by traders and others, with a view to bring it into consumption amongst the people. In the sudder Sub-division the greater portion of the grain has been disposed of. In the Nowadah Sub-division alone is there any hesitation to take this grain, and this I attribute more to the want of energy and interest in the sub-divisional officer than to any other cause.

B.—RELIEF WORKS.

9. The subjoined statement will show the works in hand and numbers employed on each:—
Fortnight ending 1st August 1874.

NAMES OF WORKS.	ON PIECE-WORK.				ON DAILY WAGES.			
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Pargya road	235	106	6	379	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bela and Kazi Seral road	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sherbott and Mysore road	160	23	47	230	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ditto and Inaugunge road	163	91	38	292	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wanshunge road	149	70	36	255	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waire Barwan road	73	60	25	158	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chir road	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,300	133	70	1,503
Mysore and Inaugunge road	611	325	306	1,042	3,001	911	65	3,977
Maharunge road	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,603	3,209	1,339	6,151
Koosamba road	70	56	14	140	300	233	133	666
Doo road	.....	.....	.....	.....	275	609	305	1,189
Total	1,904	673	370	2,947	6,817	5,170	2,461	14,448
Grand total	.....	.....	.....	.....	17,013	.....	.....	.....
Daily average	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,215	.....	.....	.....

10. The total number employed during the fortnight was 17,013 against 14,932 during the preceding fortnight. As noted in my last report, the laborers have decreased everywhere, save in Aurungabad, where they have increased from 10,006 to 14,478. The Deputy Magistrate of Aurungabad explains this increase by saying that the Government grain at the canal works being now expended, and the work there being somewhat slack, the laborers having become accustomed to payment in grain, have voluntarily deserted the canal for our local labor, though paid at lower rates. He further states that "piece-work" has been again insisted upon. It would appear that it had not been carried out. The daily rate-payment is the most popular.

G.—TRANSPORT OF FOOD GRAINS.

11. The quantity of private food brought into the bazars for sale during the past fortnight is in excess of the importations during the preceding fortnight.

12. The following statement will show the importations during the fortnight under review:—

BAZARS.	Wheat.	Barley.	Rice, best sort.	Rice, com- mon.	Millet.	Mais.	Grain.	Total.
Gya	264	55	19	317	.....	.....	298	1,163
Nowadah	15	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	30	55
Jehanabad	280	150	125	100	.....	260	235	1,120
Aurungabad	244	440	315	475	.....	.....	370	1,744
Isaodanagar	100	75	50	80	.....	.....	125	380
Shamghatty	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500
Total	873	721	508	1,142	.....	260	1,030	4,514

13. The importations in preceding fortnight amounted only to 3,960 maunds. In the sudder bazar, Gya, 1,151 maunds were imported as against 1,219 maunds. The difference does not call for notice.

D.—STORAGE OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN.

14. The annexed statement will show the disposition of Government grain in this district, *vide* Statement D accompanying:—

15. It will be seen that 5 golas in the Sudder Sub-division and 2 golas in the Jehanabad Sub-division have been entirely emptied.

	Mds.
Stored at Gola	5,260
Landed from Gya and Behar golas	5,065
From Rihla	1,324
Urral	6,717
Bakharpoore	4,074
Kinjur	1,945
Jehanabad	2,408
By Merchants	49,371
Total	77,254*

16. I apprehend no difficulty in getting rid of the grain in the Sudder, Jehanabad, and Aurungabad Sub-divisions; but in Nowadah, in consequence of the absence of any but petty traders, applications for Government grain have not been received.

17. Of the 75,000 maunds ordered to Patna for Tirhoot, I have delivered as per margin.

E.—ADVANCE TO PRIVATE PARTIES.

18. The annexed table will show the transactions up to date under this head:—

SUB-DIVISIONS.	Number of applications received.	Rejected.	GRANTED.			Pending.
			Number.	Cash.	Grain.	
Gya	90	29	45	Rs. 4,758	Mds. 2,063	24
Nowadah	77	78	2	35	90	3
Jehanabad	53	.....	24	.....	.....	34
Aurungabad	230	74	.....	.....	.....	154
Total	450	176	79	4,793	2,708	214

19. No fresh applications are being made, and I hope within the ensuing fortnight to dispose of the few still outstanding.

F.—CHARITABLE RELIEF.

20. Since last report the Bela centre has been closed. It was found difficult to supervise it efficiently, and as all agriculturists had left for the fields, and none but professional beggars remained, who could be relieved at Jehanabad or Gya, there was no object in its remaining open.

* Of this quantity, 2,946 maunds is the estimated weight of bags containing 22,318 maunds, leaving a net balance of grain delivered maunds 74,308.

21. The following statement will show that the numbers still continue to increase; but the difference is this, that distressed poor are giving place to professional mendicants:—

Sub-divisions.	B.	C.	D.	Total.	Daily average.
Gya	4,536	528	125	5,687	408
Sherghatty centre	2,390	386	...	2,776	198
Namatalah	3,011	1,870	120	4,901	267
Jahanabad	1,107	926	1,701	3,734	268
Aurangabad	5,489	4,131	883	10,503	953
Total	16,533	8,651	2,929	28,113	2,120

22. The poor-houses require to be thoroughly overhauled from time to time, and this has been pressed on sub-divisional officers' attention.

23. The experiment of jute spinning, which was attempted, has proved a failure. It is unpopular, very costly, and the produce commands no sale.

G.—FINANCIAL RESULTS.

25. The total expenditure shown in last narrative, that is—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Up to 25th July ...	1,30,219	4	7
Expenditure during current fortnight—			
(a)—Final payments made, establishment and contingencies	640	10	9
Transport of Government grain	1,515	4	10
(b)—Advances repayable	1,059	0	0
Total	1,38,434	4	2

D.

Statement showing the Storage and Consumption of Government Grain in the District of Gya up to 6th August 1874.

GOLAS.	Quantity originally stored.	QUANTITY CONSUMED.					Total	Net balance.
		By sale.	By advance to ryots.	By transfer to Patna.	Weight of bags.	Wastage, dryage, &c.		
<i>Sudder Sub-division.</i>								
Gya	Mds. 29,851	Mds. 11,716	Mds. 230	Mds. 15,323	Mds. 111	Mds. 600	Mds. 28,180	Mds. 3,663
Bala	8,012	585	123	1,729	.....	.....	1,437	575
Sherghatty	4,979	937	.....	1,395	.....	.....	2,332	1,947
Ulane	3,850	14	38	5,421	62	265	3,930	.....
Shasachatti	991	24	.....	1,481	16	.....	1,491	.....
Tosare	2,104	.....	.....	1,405	31	78	2,163	.....
Putehpore	921	3	112	867	16	4	991	.....
Imanungwa	1,425	26	.....	1,338	41	80	1,435	.....
Total	46,693	13,514	512	26,639	277	1,107	40,399	6,144
<i>Jahanabad Sub-division.</i>								
Jahanabad	14,007	2,260	652	2,448	.....	.....	5,290	9,687
Ureul	6,058	.....	.....	6,717	.....	241	6,958	.....
Gundhar	3,036	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	3,031	.....
Kinur	1,945	.....	.....	1,945	.....	.....	1,945	.....
Holungunge	2,930	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	1,989	.....
Kasi Bari	993	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	993	.....
Total	29,969	2,260	652	11,070	.....	287	14,160	15,989
<i>Namatalah Sub-division.</i>								
Namatalah	21,460	1,143	7	.....	.....	.....	1,150	20,310
Kadimangur	2,414	48	.....	9	.....	.....	48	2,768
Palre Barwan	5,182	61	.....	.....	.....	.....	61	6,121
Kapowee	3,093	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	46	3,946
Wandungunge	2,092	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	1,975
Total	34,241	1,336	7	.....	.....	.....	1,333	32,917
<i>Aurangabad Sub-division.</i>								
Aurangabad	20,914	4,208	.....	400	.....	.....	8,707	12,107
Barkungunge	3,107	2,434	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,434	1,653
Kotomaba	2,007	597	.....	.....	.....	.....	597	2,400
Wet	4,556	2,440	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,180	2,408
Doodaugur	4,973	1,854	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,254	3,119
Total	37,537	16,553	.....	400	.....	.....	10,059	27,346

Statement showing the Storage and Consumption of Government Grain in the Gya District up to 6th August 1874.

NAME OF CIRCLE.	Period for which figures are given.	Total statement of Government grain.	Total quantity of grain actually stored.	TOTAL QUANTITY OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN CONSUMED.								Estimated grain for the coming fortnight.	Estimated grain expended during the fortnight.
				By sale to the public.	By sale to laborers.	By gratuitous distribution in any shape.	By advance to ryots.	By payment in kind to laborers.	By transfer to ryots.	By advanced to ryots.	Total.		
Gya	30th July to 6th Aug.	51,000	44,000	11,500	440	880	512	100	23,000	1,444	44,900	.....	1,500
Shahabad	30th July to 6th Aug.	30,000	29,000	1,500	220	774	650	.....	11,070	207	14,100	.....	3,000
Nowadah	30th July to 6th Aug.	25,000	25,500	800	304	100	7	.....	270	.....	7,533	.....	1,000
Arrangabad	30th July to 6th Aug.	40,000	27,307	13,233	810	810	.....	947	400	.....	18,000	.....	8,000
Total		1,50,000	1,49,700	27,340	1,807	2,706	971	1,231	36,000	1,781	71,000	.....	20,000

GTA COLLECTORATE,
The 8th August 1874.A. V. PALMER,
Collector.F. H. SKRINE,
Dist. Grain Officer.

No. 725F, dated Arrah, the 12th August 1874.

FROM—H. W. ALEXANDER, Esq., Collector of Shahabad,

To—The Offr. Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Scarcity and Relief Dept.

I HAVE the honor to submit my 18th narrative for the fortnight ending the 8th August.

A.—STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

Abundance or scarcity of supplies in the Bazaar.—No scarcity of supply is reported from any part of the district.*Kinds and prices of grain selling at one or more specified principal marts.*—Details are given in appendix A of the kinds and prices of grain selling at the principal marts in the district.

In the markets of the Sudder Sub-division prices show an upward tendency. This, I consider, is a temporary matter, and that the recent rainfall will bring them down again.

In the Buxar Sub-division a general fall in prices is noticeable.

In the Sasseram Sub-division the rise in prices is general, the slight rise having occurred in Akberpore.

In the Bhubbhoos Sub-division there has been a slight fall in the Bhubbhoos, Chynepore, and Hatta marts.

Rainfall.—Rain has fallen generally throughout the district. At Arrah, during the fortnight, 3.67 inches of rain have fallen. At Buxar there has been a rainfall of 3.88 inches during the fortnight. A fall of 5.67 inches has been registered in Sasseram and of 5.68 at Bhubbhoos.

STATE OF THE CROPS.

The condition of the crops in the Arrah Sub-division is everywhere favorably reported on.

In the Buxar Sub-division Mr. Arms'rong reports that "the prospects of all the bhadoi crop, including the serha dhan, are now excellent. More rain is wanted for the aghani dhan, but still it is doing very well. The sawan and tangun sown in the Rohnee Unchuttar are being out, and are said to be as good as possible; and an excellent makai and serha dhan harvest is expected shortly."

In regard to the crops in the Sasseram and Bhubbhoos Sub-divisions, Mr. Eyre reports—"The prospects of the crops in both sub-divisions were somewhat doubtful in the beginning of the current month owing to want of rain. Applications were made for canal water. Heavy rain, however, has since fallen all over both sub-divisions, and transplanting of rice has thus been nearly completed. The autumn crop, which was beginning to suffer, is now assured from any consequences of drought."

CONDITION OF THE PEOPLE.

The condition of the people is satisfactory.

In the Arrah Sub-division three grain thefts have been reported during the fortnight: one of 14 maunds of wheat.

In the Buxar Sub-division no grain thefts have occurred.

In the Sasseram Sub-division three thefts are reported, in one of which 10 maunds of wheat are said to have been stolen, and in the other 5 maunds 20 seers of rice.

In the Bhubbhoos Sub-division one case is only reported of the theft of 7 maunds of rice.

For comparative statement of crime called for in Government circular No. 4081 of the 20th December 1873, see Appendix B. It would be noticed that there has been a total increase of crime in the past month of 84 cases as compared with the corresponding month of 1873; and of 52 cases as compared with the corresponding month of 1873. This increase is chiefly noticeable in offences of lurking house-trespass or house-breaking by night with intent to commit theft. The increase in cattle thefts is not so remarkable.

B.—RELIEF WORKS.

Full particulars in regard to all relief works in progress, and the number of laborers employed are given in Appendix C.

C.—TRANSPORT OF FOOD.

Private imports and exports by rail are given in Appendix D.
The imports into Sasseram are—

	Mds.
By rail	1,611
Interior	500
Exterior	181
Total	2,292
Imports into Bhubhoos—	
By rail	206
Interior	452
Exterior	187
Total	845

These figures show a slight increase in Sasseram and decrease in Bhubhoos as compared with last fortnight.

D.—STORAGE OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN.

The last consignment of grain to Chuprah, consisting of 7,920 maunds, has been despatched during the fortnight by Mr. Armstrong. I presume it is unnecessary for me to notice in my narrative the quantity of Government grain which has been received at Arrah for the Collector of Sarun during the fortnight.

E.—ADVANCES TO PRIVATE PARTIES.

No advances have been made in the Arrah and Buxar Sub-divisions.

In the Sasseram and Bhubhoos Sub-divisions 400 maunds 15 seers has been advanced during the fortnight to the ryots. As the bhadoi crop is coming in, Mr. Eyre has stopped the advances for the present.

F.—CHARITABLE RELIEF.

In the Arrah Sub-division the charitable relief operations are as follows:—

HEADING B.—Cooked Food.						
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Daily average.	
Moulabag	213	318	837	1,468	98	
Gurhancee	200	126	14	340	22	
Total	513	444	851	1,808	120	
HEADING C.—Rope-making.						
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Daily average.	
Moulabag	12			12	1	
Spinning Relief.						
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Daily average.	
Moulabag		190	14	204	14	
Road-making.						
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Daily average.	
Moulabag	1,197	991	544	2,732	182	
In-door Relief.						
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Daily average.	
Arrah town		2,265		2,265	151	
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Daily average.	
Grand total under heading C	1,509	3,446	558	5,513	348	
HEADING D.—Uncooked Food.						
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Daily average.	
Moulabag	1,180	2,946	426	4,552	300	
Arrah town	75	435	165	675	45	
Gurhancee	19	35	62	116	8	
Monore	Not received.					
Total	1,274	3,416	653	5,293	353	
Grand Total	2,946	7,866	2,063	12,814	831	

During the fortnight the three supervising relief officers and the canoongo have visited in the

	Arrah Circle	21 Villages.
Bahera	83	
Percoe	83	
Monore	110	

In the Buxar Sub-division the relief operations are as follows:—

HEADING B.—Cooked Food.					
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Daily average.
Chousah	140	175	94	379	37
Buxar	283	385	190	1,163	84½
Saraya	111	87	26	224	16

HEADING C.—Rope-making.				
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Chousah	32	...	...	32
Buxar	76	...	...	76
Saraya	23	...	...	23

Spinning.				
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Chousah	...	22	...	22
Buxar	...	4	...	4
Saraya	...	8	...	8

HEADING D.—Uncooked Food.					
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Average.
Chousah	40	800	100	440	31½
Buxar	540	1,000	60	1,600	116½
Saraya	320	480	100	1,200	86½

Mr. Armstrong reports that "the Chousah Inspector states that he has visited 93 villages, the Buxar Inspector 84 villages, and the Doomraon Inspector 95 villages; they all report the prospects of the crops as being very good."

In the Sasseram and Bhubhoos Sub-divisions the relief operations are as follows:—

HEADING B.—Cooked Food.					
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Daily average.	
Sasseram	493	649	333	106	
Kochus	60	87	30	9½	
Bhubhoos	443	619	313	99½	
Total	996	1,356	681	313½	

Total number relieved under heading B,—2,981.

HEADING C.—Rope-making.					
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Average.
Sasseram	334	...	...	334	24
Bhubhoos	600	114	...	714	91
Total	934	114	...	1,048	115

Spinning Relief.				
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Persons.
Sasseram	357
Narrigunge	86
Bhubhoos	333
Chynepore	102
Total	877

Weaving Relief.				
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Persons.
Sasseram	189
Bhubhoos	69
Chynepore	37
Total	296

Total number of persons relieved under heading C,—2,220.

HEADING D.—Uncooked Food.					
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	
Sasseram	22	145	8	175	
Narrigunge	7	18	2	27	
Kokha	1	1	...	2	
Chennary	6	16	...	21	
Kurgular	9	11	1	21	
Kochus	3	16	2	21	
Bubnool	5	17	...	22	
Chynepore	3	10	1	14	
Mohania	2	2	...	5	
Bhubhoos	5	6	...	11	
Total	66	243	14	319	

Grand total under all headings,—5,520.

During the fortnight the supervisors in the Sasseram and Bhubbhoa Sub-divisions have visited—

	Villages.
Sasseram	55
Nokla	15
Dungain	46
Bhubbhoa	70
Durgawti	34
Kanugurb	29

With reference to the accounts called for by Government No. 4040—S.R. of the 22nd July last, I have to intimate that they are in course of preparation, and that they will be submitted separately hereafter.

G.—FINANCIAL RESULTS OF THE FORTNIGHT.

Particulars.	Amount. Rs. A. P.	Total. Rs. A. P.
Total expenditure from the district and sub-treasuries, as shown in the last narrative, full details of which were therein given...		35,905 11 8
<i>Expenditure during the fortnight under report :—</i>		
<i>In the Arrah Sub-division—</i>		
Transport charges of 59 bags from the Powna gola to the Arrah gola	16 2 6	
Expenses incurred in conveying 161 bags of grain from the Agesson to the Arrah gola	54 13 6	
In conveying 145 bags of grain from the Gurbhane to the Arrah gola	55 10 0	
House-rent of Sahar gola for June and July 1874	6 0 0	
" " Powna gola from January to July 1874	10 8 0	
" " Mulloor gola (advance)	5 0 0	
Cost of sending scale and weight to Mulloor	0 11 0	
" " to Poon	0 13 0	
		149 10 0
<i>In the Buxar Sub-division—</i>		
Paid to Ram Katten Lal, gola keeper of Serenja, for gola expense	34 11 9	
		34 11 9
<i>In the Sasseram and Bhubbhoa Sub-division—</i>		
Advance to goldadar of Chennary	3 6 0	
Price of paper and ink	4 15 0	
Paid to Bhubhath Sahje for repairing the roof of gola	26 2 0	
Ditto ditto for storage of bags	18 15 9	
Paper	1 0 0	
Sangan Ram, cart contractor	104 2 0	
Paid to carpenter price of a wooden chest	2 12 0	
Ditto ditto ditto	2 12 0	
Cart hire	0 8 0	
Price of pen	0 8 0	
Paper	1 0 0	
Paid to goldadar of Chennary price of paper and ink	0 8 0	
Advance to goldadar of Durgant	5 0 0	
Paid price of padlock	0 5 0	
		175 13 9
Total expenditure during the fortnight		360 3 6
Grand total to end of fortnight		36,225 15 1

My report has been unavoidably delayed owing to my time being exclusively taken up in presiding over the examination of the Revenue Agents held on the 10th and 11th instant.

APPENDIX A.

Prices-current at the Principal Marts up to the Fortnight ending the 8th August 1874.

No.	Mart.	Wheat.	Rice.	Gram.	Pesa.	Maize.	Barley.
		S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.
1	Arrah	14 8	11 8	19 0	18 0	18 0	18 8
2	Biodowla	15 0	11 8	18 8	18 0	18 0	18 0
3	Sahar	16 0	11 0	17 0	16 0	16 0	17 0
4	Juddapore	15 0	11 8	19 0	18 0	19 0	20 0
1	Buxar	15 8	13 0	18 0	18 0	16 0	20 0
2	Doomson	15 12	13 8	19 0	18 0	18 0	19 0
3	Rughomathpore	15 12	12 12	19 0	17 12	18 0	19 0
4	Chouah	15 0	14 0	19 0	18 0	18 0	19 0
1	Sasseram	14 8	12 0	18 0	18 8	18 0	18 0
2	Chennary	14 4	13 4	16 12	16 0	16 0	16 4
3	Akherpore	16 0	12 8	16 0	16 0	16 0	20 0
1	Bhubbhoa	13 8	13 0	16 8	16 8	16 8	17 0
2	Mohania	15 0	10 0	17 0	17 0	17 0	18 0
3	Durgawti	13 0	10 8	17 0	17 0	17 0	17 0
4	Chennopore	13 8	12 0	16 8	17 0	17 0	17 0
5	Haite	13 8	12 0	16 8	17 0	17 0	17 0

APPENDIX B.

Comparative Statement of Crimes as per Government circular No. 4061, dated 20th December 1873, for Shahabad District.

DACOITY—				
Heading Nos. 30 and 31 of Crime Return A, Part I	Month of July 1873	Corresponding month of July 1873	1874	1
	Ditto	dito	1874	0
ROBBERY—				
Heading Nos. 32 and 33 of Crime Return A, Part I	Month of July 1873	Corresponding month of July 1873	1874	0
	Ditto	dito	1874	0
THEFT—				
Heading No. 43 of Crime Return A, Part I, excluding cattle theft	Month of July 1873	Corresponding month of July 1873	1874	23
	Ditto	dito	1874	34
Heading No. 35 of Crime Return A, Part I, lurking house-troop, pass, or house-breaking by night with intent to commit theft	Month of July 1873	Corresponding month of July 1873	1874	119
	Ditto	dito	1874	146
Heading No. 36 of Crime Return A, Part I, house-trespass, with view to commit theft	Month of July 1873	Corresponding month of July 1873	1874	0
	Ditto	dito	1874	0
Total of all three columns	Month of July 1873	Corresponding month of July 1873	1874	148
	Ditto	dito	1874	180
				232

APPENDIX C.

List of Relief Works in the Shahabad District, and Laborers on them, during the Fortnight ending 8th August 1874.

NAMES OF WORKS		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
ARRAH SUB-DIVISION.					
Raising Sahar and Arrah road		8,800	1,183	604	10,586
from Arrah to Jagdispore		7,703	1,975	645	9,883
Gudhani and Lihita road		631	100		731
Repairs to Arrah road		178	86	27	271
Total		17,489	3,963	876	21,371
BUXAR SUB-DIVISION.					
Raising Pouranda and Baryya road		5,574	3,915	1,394	9,783
Metalling Buxar Town road		1,353	1,383	510	3,096
Total		6,927	4,148	1,804	12,879
BHUBHOOA SUB-DIVISION.					
Raising from Durgowti to Chynepore		655	600	180	1,375
Bhugwanpore and Chynepore		128	754	29	811
Purautola to Khyree road		8,120	3,027	352	6,499
Zamania to Durgowti road		152	192	138	480
Jehanabad to Burrow		1,317	1,083	607	2,717
Jehanabad to Bhubbhooa road		1,253	1,459	94	2,806
Total		6,735	7,310	1,168	15,199
SAHEERAM SUB-DIVISION.					
Raising Khyra and Debrae road		1,353	846	270	2,475
Bickram and Mohanish road					
Total		1,353	846	270	2,475
UNDER D. P. W.					
Arrah Sub-division		16,023	2,797	849	20,669
Buxar "		5,574	3,915	1,394	9,783
Bhubbhooa "		6,735	7,310	1,168	15,199
Samseram "		1,353	846	270	2,475
Total		20,275	13,877	3,507	47,719
UNDER DISTRICT ROADS.					
Arrah Sub-division		809	166	27	1,002
Buxar "		1,353	1,383	510	3,096
Bhubbhooa "					
Samseram "					
Total		2,162	1,549	537	4,248
GRAND TOTAL		32,437	16,270	4,104	51,817
a.—NUMBER OF LABOURERS					
EMPLOYED UNDER D. P. W.	On task-work	30,082	13,578	3,470	47,130
	On daily wages	108	200	82	390
b.—DITTO UNDER SUB-DIVISIONAL OFFICERS.	On task-work	9,102	1,399	537	11,038
	On daily wages				
c.—DITTO UNDER COURT OF WARDS.					
Total		32,437	16,270	4,104	51,817
Total of task-work		32,437	16,270	4,104	51,817
Total of daily wages		193	299	88	580
GRAND TOTAL		32,437	16,270	4,104	51,817

APPENDIX D.

Statement of Food-grains imported by Rail during the Fortnight ending the 8th August 1874.

OUTWARD.

STATIONS.	RICE.			WHEAT, OATS, AND BARLEY.			JOWAR.			DAL AND GRAM.			OTHER GRAIN AND PULSES.			TOTAL.			GRAND TOTAL.
	Up.	Down.	Total.	Up.	Down.	Total.	Up.	Down.	Total.	Up.	Down.	Total.	Up.	Down.	Total.	Up.	Down.		
1. Arrah	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	
2. Bahle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3. Bagmati	664 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4. Daman	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5. Buzar	106 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	664 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

INWARD.

1. Arrah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2. Bahia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Bagmati	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4. Daman	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5. Buzar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

N.B.—Out of the above total 31,485 mounds are Government grain delivered at the Arrah station for the Saran district.

Statement showing the Consumption and Storage of Government Grain in the District of Shahabad for the Fortnight ending on the 8th August 1874.

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	Dates for which returns are given.	Total allotment of Government grain.	Total quantity of grain received, transferred to other districts.	TOTAL QUANTITY OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN CONSUMED UP TO DATE.					Estimated grain for consumption of the gaubis for the fortnight.	Estimated grain for consumption of the gaubis for the fortnight.
				By sale to public or to laborers.	By gratuitous distribution in any shape.	By advances to ryots.	By payment in kind to laborers.	Total.		
		Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.		Mds.
Arrah ...	18th Aug. 1874	23,300 0 0	14,761 0 0	1,194 36 0	966 6 7	139 10 0	1,949 16 16	4,137 10 11	Nil	1,000
Buzar ...	18th	21,127 0 0	7,117 0 0	Nil	111 39 10	2,716 0 0	1,460 37 10	4,376 21 10	Nil	320
Shahabad and Muzaffarpore	18th	23,577 0 0	23,577 0 0	6,841 16 6	296 30 6	875 38 0	1,851 12 15	9,325 37 10	Nil	2,300
Total		77,904 0 0	45,455 0 0	7,996 2 6	1,383 36 9	2,719 9 0	4,261 9 0	17,729 19 15	Nil	3,750

ARRAH,
The 12th August 1874.H. W. ALEXANDER,
Collector.

No. 2175F, dated Muzaffarpore, the 13th August 1874.

From—C. F. WORSLEY, Esq., Offg. Collector of Tirhoot,

To—The Offg. Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Scarcity and Relief Dept.

I HAVE the honor to submit my narrative of scarcity and relief in the Hajeeapore, Tajpore, and Sudder sub-divisions for the fortnight ending 8th August 1874.

A.—STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

2. In Hajeeapore sub-division prices on the whole may be said to have remained stationary, variations having nowhere exceeded three-quarters of a seer in the rupee, while a fall in one place has usually been counterbalanced by a rise in another.

3. In the southern marts of Tajpore sub-division "prices have varied but little, if at all," but at Tajpore itself all kinds of grain, except rice, have risen in value.

4. In the Sudder sub-division Government prices continue to prevail, and the demand for Government grain still increases. During the fortnight the town bunneahs have purchased no less than 27,818 maunds of grain from our godown, all of which they have sold either in the town or in adjacent villages; and so dependent upon Government have they now become for their supplies, that the stoppage of our sales for a few days would, I feel sure, be followed by disastrous consequences.

I have repeatedly visited the grain market, but have not seen a single shop in which any locally-produced grain, except oats, can be purchased. The bazar chowdree informs me that about 400 maunds of the grain daily purchased from us by the bunneahs are regularly distributed through bairies in neighbouring villages; and I have reason to hope that their agency will shortly enable us to dispense with sales at many of our sub-golas.

5. The subjoined statement shows the kinds and prices of grain selling at some of the principal marts on 8th instant:—

NAMES OF MARTS.	Wheat.	Barley.	Common rice.	Indian-corn.	Gram.	Murwa.
Hajeeapore ...	13½	18	8½	...	18	...
Lahouga ...	13	19	10½	...	19	...
Mitowah ...	13	18½	9	14	15½	18
Tajpore ...	14	17	10	...	19	...
Muzaffarpore	14	16	13	16	19	...

6. The rainfall during the fortnight was as follows:—

Hajeeapore	...	...	...	...	5.71
Tajpore	...	...	...	...	11.9
Muzaffarpore	...	...	...	...	7.14

7. In my telegram dated 4th instant, I informed you that the prospects of the maktai crop were deteriorating from want of rain; but I have since ascertained that both the dhau and maktai crops have suffered greatly in several places. Even in Hajeeapore sub-division, in spite of a comparatively good fall of rain, the dhau is backward; there is, however, as yet no serious cause for alarm in that quarter. But the Tajpore Officer takes a very gloomy view of prospects, reporting as follows:—

"There has been rain at Tajpore on only four days during the fortnight, aggregating 1.09. This scanty rainfall has caused, and is causing, the most grave anxiety for the dhau crop and also for the dhau. During the latter half of the week there was a good fall of rain in the south-west, and Mr. Lloyd of Shapore Undi, who twelve days ago wrote anxiously of

the prospects, now reports that there has been 'nearly sufficient rain for the bhado crops, and that the yield is likely to be, if any thing, above the average.' With the extraordinary partiality which has marked all the rains this year, the rest of the sub-division, except perhaps the part about Dulain Serai (where rumour says similar rain fell), has not been so favoured. A magnificent promise is thus daily failing. There cannot now be the full crop once expected. I fear that even immediate rain would hardly secure a 10-anna crop all round, and that for every day's drought the outturn loses nearly an anna. In some villages towards Poozah, where the prospect was the very finest, the drought has prevented some of the makai putting out cobs, and here and there it is being cut for cattle; elsewhere grain is only forming half up the cob, and in the east and west makai only half-grown is to be seen in flower.

"Cownee and sama, though more forward, and so less liable to injury, are somewhat shrivelling. It is in the murwa that I still have hopes. Early rain would yet catch the majority of this not yet in ear, and bring it on to a fair outturn. A continuance of drought will, however, affect this even more seriously than makai.

"Dhan even in the south-west is not looking well. Mr. Lloyd writes: 'It has in many places hopelessly gone, and if we have not good rain soon, it will go altogether.' It is everywhere very backward. There is, however, yet time to transplant, and in this way the prospects of the transplanted dhan are more favorable than that sown broadcast.

"The Balgach pergunnah has been inundated by the Ganges, and much damage has been done to the makai. Fortunately a plentiful harvest of cheena has been there reaped. This grain is said to be selling in Balgach at 30 seers to the rupee, but it does not find its way northwards.

8. I have just returned from visiting Poozah and the northern part of Tajpore sub-division with the Commissioner, and I may mention that it is the general opinion in that part that the outturn of the makai crop cannot exceed 10-annas.

9. In the Sudder sub-division the crops promise well in the northern circles; but elsewhere the makai has suffered more or less from want of rain. I fear that this crop will not on an average be more than 10-annas. In the Sudder circle there is still a good deal of dhan to be transplanted, but the work cannot proceed without more rain. During the last three or four days there have been some good showers of rain in and around Mozufferpore, but I doubt if there has been general rain throughout the sub-division.

10. With regard to the condition of the people, the Tajpore officer observes: "The people seem to me more hard pressed than they have ever been, and several of the factory managers have observed this also. The drought has thoroughly disheartened the ryots, and it certainly is depressing, after the hard times of the past nine months, to see a magnificent crop daily withering when so near harvest. . . . I have seen among the cultivators of some parts a more pinched look than heretofore, and appearance more like that I noticed in the Bahlempore circle before the relief works there were started." In Hajeeepore sub-division there are at present no signs of distress, and Mr. Tute thinks that "the advances we have given (solely to cultivators) will carry the people through." In the Sudder sub-division, notwithstanding the efforts that have been made to relieve all cases of distress, emaciated objects may still be seen occasionally. Within the last week I have myself seen two starving adults, little more than skeletons, who had wandered into the town in search of food; and the Belund superintendent, in reporting on the increased number of paupers receiving charitable relief, remarks that "it is difficult to imagine how such diseased and decrepit wretches exist at all in ordinary years."

11. There have been no cases of death from starvation.

B.—RELIEF WORKS.

12. The number of labourers employed daily in the three sub-divisions is as follows:—

Hajeeepore	...	...	...	4,052
Tajpore	...	...	...	11,070
Mozufferpore	...	...	...	75,385
Total	...	...	...	90,507

This number is 6,278 in excess of the number shown in my last narrative. The increase has been confined to Tajpore and Mozufferpore. In Hajeeepore there has been a decrease of nearly 1,300 labourers.

13. The Tajpore officer expects during this fortnight "to have more people than ever on the works, as there is now little or nothing doing in the fields." He also thinks "that it will be advisable under any circumstances to keep the relief works open for another month."

14. From the annexed statement of labour for the Sudder sub-division, it will be seen that nearly two-thirds of the labourers are women and children. What effect the reduced rates of wages (*i.e.*, 10, 9 and 6 chittacks of grain per man, woman, and child daily) will have on existing numbers generally remains to be seen. In the Sudder circle, where 17 road-works were in course of construction, the whole of the labourers on two works at once struck when the new rates were introduced. They have since, however, asked for re-employment at these rates, and I have therefore ordered the works to be re-opened. On the other 15 works the labourers have all remained. In the Toorkee circle, where 7,786 labourers were being employed, there has been a general strike. The Superintendent writes—"Labourers have been coming steadily to the relief works; but the last few days, since the reduction of wages the works have been completely forsaken; but I think that in a few days many will return, that is, when they run out of the small stores of grain which I believe many have managed to save from the former rates they received." From other circles I have not yet received any information on this subject.

15. I sincerely trust that the "barest subsistence wages," which I fixed in accordance, as I thought, with His Honor's instructions, may not be maintained to the end of the season. As an experiment, they may serve to test the necessities of the labourers; but when these have been clearly established, such rates, I submit, must necessarily impair the efficiency of their work. It may be that I have given a stronger meaning to His Honor's expression than it was intended to convey, and that instead of fixing "barest subsistence wages" for human beings, I should have fixed "barest subsistence wages" for labouring persons. If this be so, the old rates (especially in the planter's circles) would admit of little reduction.

16. The large increase of labourers in the Kantee cum Beghai circle is a matter which I intend to investigate on 14th instant; though, bearing in mind the large amount of damage done to the crops in this circle, and the fact that many cultivators must have been thrown out of employment, I see no reason to suspect laxity of supervision. The probable future necessities of this large number of persons are the main cause of my uneasiness and anxiety to judge for myself.

17. I may repeat here (what I have already communicated to you by telegraph) that I apprehend great pressure during the ensuing five weeks, or until the produce of the bhadoi crop gets well into the markets.

C.—TRANSPORT OF FOOD.

18. Under this head the Hajepore officer makes no remarks, though I should have been glad to receive some explanation of the very great difference in the prices of rice at Hajepore and Patna. In the former town the price is 10 seers, in the latter 16 seers per rupee. Wheat again is selling at 13½ seers in Hajepore, and at 16½ seers in Patna. I know as a fact that at Lalgunge (as I mentioned in my last narrative) there is a great demand for rice, and it is reasonable to suppose that the demand exists at Hajepore. It seems to me that either the Patna prices must be nominal, or that private trade, when left to itself, is wholly inoperative in this district as an importing agency.

19. The Tajpore officer reports that private trade has lately fallen off in his sub-division, and believes that the Government sales in the Durbhunga sub-division have had an injurious effect upon it. He also thinks that the smaller traders are unable to pay the high rates now demanded for boats. I am not in a position to dispute the correctness of these views, but I know that the manager of Jeetwarpoore factory (close to Nagurbustee) finds no difficulty in disposing of rice which he has imported with an advance from Government at the rate of 11 seers per rupee. Further, the extreme lowness of the Boor Gunduck at the present time is very unfavourable to large boats; indeed, I have just learnt that several boats laden with Government grain, and bound for Mozufferpoore, cannot get higher up the river than Nagurbustee.

20. I have not heard of any supplies of grain being brought into the Sudder sub-division by private traders.

D.—STORAGE.

21. The amount of Government grain that has been stored is as follows:—

	Mds.	Srs.	Ch.
Hajepore	41,531	10	12
Tajpore	53,908	85	4
Mozufferpoore	6,30,543	34	0

22. With reference to paragraphs 18 and 19 of my last narrative, I found on enquiry that "the balance of the 60,000 maunds lying at Doolee" was nil. I had also omitted in estimating my stocks to make due allowance for wastage. I was obliged therefore, on 5th instant, to apply by telegraph for another lakh of maunds, and I understand that Colonel MacGregor has proceeded to Monghyr to arrange for its despatch.

23. With reference to Government letter No. 4741—S.R., I beg to report that wetted grain is always the first to be sold or used at relief works as soon as it has been dried, and that rice in the Government godas is generally in good condition. I append a statement showing the total amount (Rs. 2,17,125) paid into the treasury up to the 10th instant on account of sale proceeds of grain.

E.—ADVANCES.

24. Applications for advances are still very numerous, but are being disposed of as promptly as possible.

F.—CHARITABLE RELIEF.

25. The number of recipients of charitable relief in the three sub-divisions is as follows:—

Hajepore	3,342
Tajpore	5,483
Mozufferpoore	18,306
Total	27,220

G.—FINANCIAL RESULTS.

26. The subjoined table shows our expenditure for Hajepore, Tajpore, and Mozufferpoore subdivisions during the fortnight under review:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Salaries, establishments, and office contingencies	13,284	2	3
2. Miscellaneous	500	0	0
3. Transport of Government grain	80,667	13	6
4. Storage (including building and repairs)	830	8	5
Total	74,183	8	5

P.S.—With reference to paragraph 16, I have the honor to add that I have this morning ridden over the northern portion of the Kantee circle, have visited some relief works, and have conferred with the assistant manager of Rephai out-work. It appears that the reduced rates of wages were introduced in this circle on the 6th instant, and that the average daily numbers for the week ending 13th instant are as follow:—Men 2,796, women 1,722, children 632; total 5,150. Though there has been a decrease on the whole, it has not been very marked or important. The cause of the relief works being now so much frequented is exactly what I supposed, viz. the destruction of crops by inundation. All the first sowings of rice were completely ruined, and though second sowings were made, there has not been sufficient rain lately to admit of the seedlings being transplanted. Besides the young dhan, I regret to say that other crops have suffered more or less severely. Sama and kownee have gone entirely, and the makai cobs have scarcely filled at all. The assistant manager believes that Government must continue to give assistance to the people in his circle up to the end of the year. In one large village (Mundaya), where the crops were wholly destroyed and the waters have not subsided (the lands being all low churs), the people one and all are only kept alive by relief works and advances of grain. In one or two other villages there is very great pressure, and I may say generally, that without the assistance now being given by Government, great mortality would ensue in the northern portion of Kantee circle. The labourers complain of the reduction of wages, but not so much as might have been expected.

APPENDIX OF LABOUR.

Mozaffarpore Sub-division.

NAMES OF CIRCLES	DAILY AVERAGE FOR THE FOREWRIGHT.				NUMBER OF LAST DAY				REMARKS
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	
Sudder	993	3,318	700	5,011	1,239	2,872	632	4,727	Figures up to 6th August.
Dandapore out-work	251	555	86	892	443	954	161	1,558	6th ditto
Mozaffarpore out-work	1,862	945	696	3,503	1,097	1,513	341	3,171	6th ditto
Chajon	203	1,230	245	1,678	354	1,163	229	1,915	6th ditto
Athar	5,155	3,373	1,126	9,654	4,397	5,352	1,393	11,090	6th ditto
Kuttra	183	88	11	282	124	114	34	272	6th ditto
Tonkwa	5,183	3,083	1,290	9,556	3,199	3,364	1,220	7,783	6th ditto
Holand	35	30	15	80	8	12	18	38	6th ditto
Rajhond	299	1,229	755	2,283	415	1,815	894	3,124	6th ditto
Kantee	8,666	4,526	1,573	14,765	8,185	4,185	1,393	13,763	6th ditto
Ravlin out-work	3,271	4,025	778	8,074	3,789	4,685	865	9,339	6th ditto
Moteapore	1,267	2,483	2,569	6,319	1,865	2,427	2,410	6,702	6th ditto
Belcherange	464	8	1	473	16	16	16	48	6th ditto
Bornah	1,946	3,680	2,184	7,810	4,096	2,781	9,558	16,635	6th ditto
Boraya	1,789	1,174	678	3,641	4,928	1,340	540	6,808	6th ditto
Jainpore	1,345	3,715	1,608	6,668	1,389	4,444	1,116	6,949	6th ditto
Gaighaty	240	381	175	796	253	325	125	703	6th ditto
Works under the Executive Engineer	1,572	285	62	1,917	143	35	174	352	6th ditto
Total	22,474	34,320	14,431	71,225	33,349	41,817	16,106	91,263	

Tajpore Sub-division.

NAMES OF CIRCLES	Names of Works.	AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON DAILY WORK.			AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON TASK-WORK.			TOTAL AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS.		
		Men.	Women.	Children.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Men.	Women.	Children.
Poonah	Browies to Tajpore road	180	105	184	.....	.....	.....	180	105	184
	Browies to Sukhee road	.....	.....	.....	398	5	.....	398	5	.....
	Supplying grass to mules at Poonah.	13	19	55	185	121	88	185	121	88
	Jiwaspore to Harpore, Poonah road.	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	15	.....	.....
Bahlampore	Pahars road	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Mahampore to Sukhee road	.....	.....	.....	317	170	204	517	170	204
	Kasturi Beral road	.....	.....	.....	74	.....	.....	74	.....	.....
	Sukhee bend	.....	.....	.....	116	.....	.....	116	.....	.....
	Bardha	.....	.....	.....	81	.....	.....	81	.....	.....
Bahlampore	Nagawara road	.....	.....	.....	237	485	485	237	485	485
	Bahwara and Bahlampore road	81	62	17	293	289	63	283	289	63
	Bimawara and Loma road	61	88	.....	413	153	178	473	211	173
Bahlampore And	Molna to Bahlampore road	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....
	Narhan ghāt road	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	25	.....	.....
	Miscellaneous works	29	120	80	.....	.....	.....	29	120	80
Tajpore	Miscellaneous works	15	1	11	.....	.....	.....	15	1	11
	Butch ghāt road	6	7	10	.....	.....	.....	6	7	10
Bahlampore	Ganawa embankment	1,717	181	63	1,199	717	380	2,607	268	243
	Patling Beral to Pambabouda road.	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38	.....	.....
Bahlampore	Bahlampore tank	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	63	.....	.....
	Total	2,281	704	441	3,678	2,001	1,753	5,179	2,763	2,194

APPENDIX OF LABOUR AND CHARITABLE RELIEF.

Hajepore Sub-division.

Names of Works	Number on daily wages.			Number on piece-work.			Total number of labourers.			Average daily number of labourers on charitable relief.
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Men.	Women.	Children.	

CHUPTAH CIRCLE.

UNDER MR. R. PARK.

Village roads	183	173	11	161	173	11	183	173	11	186
Total	183	173	11	161	173	11	183	173	11	186

SINGHIYA CIRCLE.

UNDER MR. POPE.

Lalgunge road	35	35	1	35	35	1	35	35	1	37
Atarollahpore	25	25	1	25	25	1	25	25	1	27
Pillut district at Atarollahpore	21	21	1	21	21	1	21	21	1	23
Sowrabah road	19	19	1	19	19	1	19	19	1	21
Kumtulia bridge	5	5	1	5	5	1	5	5	1	7
Total	105	105	5	105	105	5	105	105	5	110

SHAHPORE CIRCLE.

UNDER MR. J. SMITH.

Boomaypore road	836	836	1	836	836	1	836	836	1	838
Harpore Arreah	764	764	1	764	764	1	764	764	1	766
Harpore road from Mocha to Darut	178	178	1	178	178	1	178	178	1	180
Making platform at Shahpore tank	40	40	1	40	40	1	40	40	1	42
Total	1,818	1,818	4	1,818	1,818	4	1,818	1,818	4	1,822

KARHARI CIRCLE.

UNDER MR. CAMPBELL.

Shahpore, Chitawarah and Karhari road	28	28	1	28	28	1	28	28	1	30
Mahnah road	50	50	1	50	50	1	50	50	1	52
Total	78	78	2	78	78	2	78	78	2	82

SHATOWLIA CIRCLE.

UNDER MR. MACGREGOR.

Salwar road	200	200	1	200	200	1	200	200	1	202
Total	200	200	1	200	200	1	200	200	1	202

CHATWARAH CIRCLE.

UNDER MR. BLAKE.

Tajpore road	540	540	1	540	540	1	540	540	1	542
Mahnah	180	180	1	180	180	1	180	180	1	182
Karhari	204	204	1	204	204	1	204	204	1	206
Total	924	924	3	924	924	3	924	924	3	927

HAJEPORE CIRCLE.

UNDER SUB-DIVISIONAL OFFICER.

Hajepore road	42	42	1	42	42	1	42	42	1	44
Total	42	42	1	42	42	1	42	42	1	44
Grand Total	3,897	3,897	10	3,897	3,897	10	3,897	3,897	10	3,907

Statement of Charitable Relief for the Moufesspore Sub-division for the Fortnight ending 8th August 1874.

NAMES OF TOWNS OR PLACES AT WHICH RELIEF IS GIVEN.	Number charitably relieved, who are not capable to work.—B		Number charitably relieved, who are not capable to work.—B		Number employed in cotton spinning, paper, and other manufactures, dated 4th March, heading U.		Total number of persons employed under heads B, C, D, and U of the resolution.		Quantity of grain lent in Charitable relief.		Price of grain lent on Charitable relief at Government rate.		Total amount spent in Charitable relief, exclusive of price of grain.		Total amount spent in Charitable relief, exclusive of price of grain, up to end of the fortnight.	
	Total up to date of return.		Total up to date of return.		Total up to date of return.		Total up to date of return.		During the fortnight.		Up to the end of the fortnight.		During the fortnight.		Up to the end of the fortnight.	
	Adults.	Children.	Adults.	Children.	Adults.	Children.	Adults.	Children.	Mds. Sec.	Mds. Sec.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Mds. Sec.	Mds. Sec.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Moufesspore town ..	39,882	4,835	39,882	4,835	6,792	83	333	23	61 11	1,325 95	133 13 6	1,325 9 0	61 11	1,325 9 0	1,325 9 0	61 11
Burdwan ..	27,885	6,794	27,885	6,794	4,751	67	255	23	43 29	1,325 95	1,325 9 0	1,325 9 0	43 29	1,325 9 0	1,325 9 0	43 29
Burdwan out-work ..	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33
Chittagong ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Chittagong out-work ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Dacca ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Dacca out-work ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Barisal ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Barisal out-work ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Malabar ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Malabar out-work ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Chittagong ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Chittagong out-work ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Barisal ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Barisal out-work ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Malabar ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Malabar out-work ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total ..	437,891	100,894	437,891	100,894	437,891	100,894	437,891	100,894	437,891	100,894	437,891	100,894	437,891	100,894	437,891	100,894

APPENDIX C.
Charitable Relief, Tarpore.

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	NUMBER OF PERSONS WORKING ON				AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS IN RECEIPT OF CASH, COOKED AND UNCOOKED FOOD.		
	Cotton.	Putra.	Cloth.	Bamboo.	Cash.	Cooked food.	Uncooked food.
Pooah	19	4	1				247
Nurban	94	11		4	11	11	63
Ghahporeandi	24				30		377
Harsingpore	25	1	16		40		62
Arangur	11						86
Joudaha	79	9					170
Bahlempore	1,143	144	207			35	690
Dholce							335
Tarpore							
Dulung Berni	730		179				17
Total	2,116	160	455	4	111	47	2,580

* Return not received.

† Return I think incorrect.

MOZUFFERPORE SUB-DIVISION
Statement of Grain Allotted, Stored, and Consumed for the Fortnight ending the 8th August, 1874.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
NAMES OF CIRCLES.	Dates for which figures are given.	Total allotment of Government grain.	Total quantity of grain stored, exclusive of grain forwarded to other districts.	By sale to public or to laborers.	By gratuitous distribution in any shape.	By advances to ryots.	By payment in kind to laborers.	Total.	Estimated grain receipt of the consumer fortnight.	Estimated grain expenditure of the consumer fortnight.	Remarks.
MOZUFFERPORE, KANHAUL AND 8th August											
Opium sowers:											
gala.	8th "	5,94,975	1,90,000 0 0	51,650 25 0	630 36 0	680 31 0	1,694 29 0	16,325 38 0			
Ranipore gola.	8th "										
Sunder circle.	8th "										
Chajun "	7th "	10,000	22,000 0 0	3,727 2 0	1,425 86 0	2,151 5 0	3,766 16 0	547 16 0			
Chajun "	8th "										
Katra "	8th "	27,315	47,144 13 0	10,967 9 0	3,602 37 0	8,771 16 0	3,364 11 0	1,750 27 0			
Torties "	8th "	30,862	24,827 13 0	3,604 5 0	893 10 0	5,919 5 0	16,470 21 0	61,148 19 0			
Beland "	8th "	43,599	45,033 7 0*	5,077 30 0	2,689 50 0	13,400 30 0	1,638 15 0	38,553 21 0			
Rajband "	8th "	40,000	43,556 0 0	7,908 37 0	2,621 31 0	5,323 36 0	4,841 52 0	20,025 10 0			
Karim "	8th "	15,000	17,475 0 0	3,729 30 0	342 11 0	4,120 11 0	15,527 5 0	21,623 11 0			
Baghat out-work "	8th "	10,000	11,000 0 0	1,591 9 0	100 10 0	4,050 38 0	5,210 36 0	10,032 13 0			
Matipore circle.	8th "	15,000	23,130 24 0	4,522 11 0	339 31 0	11,707 17 0	5,527 12 0	22,150 35 0			
Sahalgange "	8th "	44,002	29,755 0 0	4,218 21 0	693 13 0	5,791 34 0	6,150 33 0	14,005 31 0			
Doora "	8th "	15,000	30,000 0 0	3,614 21 0	1,800 11 0	5,013 20 0	10,140 33 0	21,519 39 0			
Sera "	8th "	13,000	30,600 30 0	8,500 35 0	2,800 39 0	10,710 59 0	3,700 37 0	26,762 21 0			
Jamshore "	8th "	10,000	18,400 0 0	4,003 36 0	730 14 0	3,035 34 0	6,713 17 0	13,919 23 0			
Gajghattee "	7th "	25,000	15,457 29 0	5,109 11 0	9,023 27 0	7,413 1 0	844 10 0	13,919 31 0			
Total	.....	7,46,634	6,80,950 89 0	1,38,005 15 0	31,766 19 0	1,26,354 12 0	1,13,652 25 0	4,07,258 37 0	2,60,000 0 0	1,10,000 0 0	

* The Superintendent has reported these figures.

APPENDIX B—GRAIN.

Tajpore Sub-division.

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	Date for which figures are given.	Total allotment of Government grain.	Total quantity of grain stored, exclusive of grain transferred to other districts.	TOTAL QUANTITY OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN CONSUMED UP TO DATE.					Total.
				By sale to the public or to labourers.	By institutions in any shape.	By advances to ryots.	By payment in kind to labourers.		
	1st May 1874.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	
Tajpore		10,000 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Poonah	19,047 80 0	750 8 0	590 38 0	10,800 4 8	4,383 32 8	14,975 31 8	
Chandebour		12,000 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arangan		8,000 0 0	3,171 6 13	67 2 8	909 13 4	1,087 10 0	86 6 8	1,388 22 4	
Bahispore		24,000 0 0	15,853 33 0	546 2 7	1,548 6 0	8,317 38 8	4,150 21 8	11,454 80 7	
Bahispore Undi		10,000 0 0	800 0 0	.....	146 37 14	.....	.....	146 37 14
Tubhira sub-gola	800 0 0	.....	.....	.....	1 84 18	1 84 18	
Murhun ditto	1,000 0 0	71 14 0	237 33 7	17 6 13	186 36 13	800 0 0	
Ganges embankment sub-golas		18,000 0 0	15,353 0 0	.....	5 6 0	.....	11,337 14 3	11,340 20 1
Haringpore sub-golas	1,000 0 0	.....	.....	800 0 0	.....	800 0 0	
Dabang Boral	800 0 0	No return received.					
Jandana	858 0 8	Ditto.					
Total		79,000 0 0	618,908 35 4	1,654 27 15	1,649 5 0	17,772 10 13	20,848 15 11	36,428 13 0	

* Return not received.

Statement showing the Storage and Consumption of Government Grain in the Gola of the Hajepore Sub-division for the Fortnight ending 7th August 1874.

NAME OF CIRCLE.	Date for which figures are given.	Total allotment of Government grain.	Total quantity of grain stored, exclusive of grain transferred to other districts.	TOTAL QUANTITY OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN CONSUMED UP TO DATE.					Total.
				By sale to the public or to labourers.	By institutions in any shape.	By advances to ryots.	By payments in kind to labourers.		
	7th August 1874.	Mds.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. R. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.
Malepore	...	50,000	8,371 21 12	1,234 35 0	800 4 4	2,392 20 0	109 10 8	4,225 39 9	5,786 4 0
Mahmud	2,825 9 0	...	319 39 0	1,064 33 8	4,392 21 0	5,786 4 0	5,786 4 0
Lalouge	2,345 0 0	...	214 24 0	3,781 39 11	644 24 11	4,417 10 0	4,417 10 0
Bhalpore	10,000 0 0	...	204 18 0	3,487 0 0	535 27 3	3,793 1 8	3,793 1 8
Narai	5,000 0 0	92 17 3	70 22 0	2,917 26 4	413 4 8	3,499 29 13	3,499 29 13
Shatouin	350 17 0	...	1,288 54 12	265 4 13	1,974 16 8	1,974 16 8
Karhar	5,200 0 0	828 35 0	228 16 0	1,684 2 4	141 23 12	2,876 23 0	2,876 23 0
Total	61,881 10 13	3,176 0 3	2,300 23 12	10,396 23 7	7,165 2 04	26,918 12 124	26,918 12 124

* Not furnished.

Statement showing the number of Dacoities, &c., perpetrated in the District of Tirhoot (Sudder, Hajepore and Tajpore Sub-divisions) during the month of July 1872, 1873 and the corresponding month of July 1874.

Dacoity—		SUB-DIVISIONS.		
		Sudder.	Hajepore.	Tajpore.
Headings Nos. 30 and 31 of Crime Return A, Part I.	July 1872	.....	0	0
	" 1873	.....	0	0
	" 1874	.....	0	0
ROBBERY—				
Headings Nos. 32 and 33 of Crime Return A, Part I.	July 1872	.....	1	0
	" 1873	.....	0	0
	" 1874	.....	0	0
HOUSE-BREAKING WITH OR WITHOUT THEFT—				
Heading No. 35 of Statement A, Part I.	July 1872	51	0	0
	" 1873	36	0	0
	" 1874	30	0	0
THEFT—				
Heading No. 43 of Statement A, Part I.	July 1872	15	4	0
	" 1873	24	4	0
	" 1874	40	9	0
TOTAL	July 1872	67	4	0
	" 1873	59	4	0
	" 1874	76	9	0

* Return not received.

Remittances made to Moosuffpore Treasury and placed to credit of "Sale Proceeds of Grain."

MONTHS.	Circles.	Amount.		Monthly total.	REMARKS.
		Rs.	A. P.		
March	Moosuffpore	2,379	15 0	2,379 15 0	
April	Ditto	2,308	13 3	2,308 13 3	
May	Ditto	8,802	15 10	8,802 15 10	
June	Ditto	21,059	8 8		
Ditto	Toorkoo	3,303	10 0		
Ditto	Gaighattee	1,379	13 1		
Ditto	Kuttra	18,202	2 2		
Ditto	Chajun	175	7 3	44,629 0 3	
July	Moosuffpore	72,805	0 3		This is the minimum amount that can be placed to credit of "sale proceeds of grain." In many instances, circle officers have retained the money in order to meet their contingent expenditure.
Ditto	Toorkoo	3,838	4 8		
Ditto	Gaighattee	2,356	4 9		
Ditto	Kuttra (6,250-1-9)	6,255	1 9		
Ditto	Chajun	440	8 0	85,180 9 2	
August (1-10)	Moosuffpore	64,525	14 3		
Ditto	Gaighattee	5,900	0 0		
Ditto	Chajun	109	2 0		
Ditto	Balsandi	2,737	15 0		
Ditto	Sababgunge	10,784	12 1	73,857 11 4	
	Total	2,17,125	8 7	2,17,125 8 7	

No. 1041, dated Durbhunga, the 10th August 1874.

From—C. T. METCALFE, Esq., Additional Commissioner,

To—The Offg. Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Scarcity and Relief Dept.

I HAVE the honor to submit my Narrative of Scarcity and Relief for the Fortnight ending Saturday, the 8th of August 1874.

STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

1. In the present narrative I have still to report a continuance of fine weather. The general want of rain is seriously affecting the harvest prospects, and a great deal will depend upon a rainfall during the next few days. The harvest prospects differ of course in different localities, but generally it may be said that the great murwa crop where not gathered requires rain to fill the heads, and that the transplanting of rice is delayed by the extremely dry condition of the soil. The present is no doubt a crisis, and the better to describe the exact state of things at this moment, I annex a map coloured according to the state of the crops, which, in the more northern portion of my jurisdiction, I have just carefully inspected. It will be seen that the least favorable prospects of rice and murwa are in that tract of country between the Kumlah and Bulan, but where the maize harvest has been a very good one.

2. The report for the different localities is as follows:—

Seetamurhee.—The scanty rainfall in this sub-division has not only interfered with the completion of rice transplanting, but has affected the bhadoi crops, which are nearly ready for cutting. Unless we have a heavy downfall, the outturn of the sathes will be very small, indeed next to nothing. Every morning there are indications of heavy rain, but the clouds towards mid-day disperse.

POOPREE SUB-DIVISION.

A heavy fall of rain is required to secure a heavy harvest. Indian corn partly gathered, partly ripening. Murwa and shama, both very thick crops; in places ripe and gathered; both crops, as also keonee and jeree, generally in the ear, and fast approaching maturity. Extensive fields of these crops are ripening, the stalks thick and juicy, but the seed wanting in fulness. The crops already gathered are exceptionally good. The paddy is in the lower lands healthy and growing vigorously; in the higher lands much in want of rain. In the Mudhoobunnee Sub-division the crops vary considerably. From the banks of the Chota Baghmutee to the Kumlah the murwa and Indian corn are very fair, and the paddy up to date very healthy. Between the Kumlah and Bulan, constituting the Bukwa circle, the Indian corn is splendid, but murwa poor, and rice looking sadly in want of water; farther south, in what forms the Mudhoobunnee sudder relief circle, the crops are dry and have a withered appearance, and transplanting is, on the higher lands, stopped.

The condition is described as follows:—"Last fortnight was characterised by a general hopefulness induced by seasonable weather, general showers, and indications warranting expectations of a bountiful harvest. The present fortnight has been marked by short rainfall, extensive stoppage of agricultural operations, and anxiety as to the future of the paddy crops. The early bhadoi, murwa, and shama has been mostly secured against the chance of any great failure, but the later sown bhadoi and the whole of the paddy crops are seriously threatened. The weather is cloudy and there are occasional showers, but there has been no good fall of rain in this sub-division since the 22nd July, except at Kuchra, where there have been three heavy showers.

The agriculturists have in the lower lands taken advantage of the fine weather to remove most of the lands where the crops had been destroyed by the earlier floods. In some villages the seed has been found to be that of sous paddy and unsuited for transplanting, and fresh seed is being supplied by the Court of Wards.

The three worst tracts as regards prospects of crops in this sub-division, then, are Bukwa, Sudder Circle, Mudhoobunnee, and Motipore.

In Naraya, the state of things is better. The last heavy fall was on the 26th, and the crops are still healthy and growing vigorously, but still they would be improved by rain. The crops in the western half of the Putrahee circle are, similar to the Bukwa crops, stunted and poor, but the more western crops are very good indeed. The Durbungah situation may be best described in Mr. MacDonnell's own words,—“The continued drought has had an injurious effect on the murwa, which in places is turning yellow, a sure sign of decay and unhealthiness; insufficient moisture has also had the effect of checking transplanting. In the Hathi Sub-division, however, there has been a fair rainfall within the last few days, and the prospects have much improved.

3. Rainfall.—

Sectamurhee	...	...	...	...	1.11 inches,
Poopree	...	...	...	...	...
Modhoobunnee	...	...	...	...	23 "
Jhanjhapore	...	...	...	...	52 "
Motipore	...	...	...	...	28 "
Naraya	...	...	...	...	31 "
Durbhunga	...	...	...	...	1.70 "
Hathi	...	...	...	...	† inch.

In the last-mentioned sub-division there has been, as also at Naraya rates, a fall in excess of the quantity here given—

4. Price-current for the fortnight under report.

NAMES OF PLACES	Wheat.	Barley.	Rice.	Indian corn.	Murwa.	Pulses.	REMARKS.
Modhoobunnee	14	20	...	16	16	...	
Andramet	16	24	...	26	31	...	
Hesaki	18	...	11 ⁰	...	...	...	* Traders.
Banpatty	16	20	...	...	...	...
Khujowhee	15	20	...	20	...	...
Lowkaba	10	18	...	18	18	...	
Naraya	11	...	...	...	14	11	
West Putrahee	14	18	...	18	19	...	
East Putrahee	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perosghur	12	...	...	...	...	...
Mohadromet	12	22	...	...	...	...
Modheypore	6	...	...	...	...	...
Durbhunga	12	20 ¹	10 ¹	...	17 ¹	...	† Ditto.
Nagurbusta	16	18	...	...	...	...
Ramesh	14	19	...	...	20	...	
Poopree	...	...	10 ¹	...	22	17 ¹	† Ditto.
Sectamurhee	17	17	...	18	18	...	
Shewghur	16	18	...	...	...	...
Majorungoo	16	...	...	...	20	...	
Sandura	18	20	...	...	16	...	
Hela	18	18	...	...	20	...	

5. *Public Health, Poojee.*—Public health continues excellent. Returns are being received of the numbers who have died whilst receiving charitable relief. In 2 circles 12 persons out of 2,800 have died in 6 months. In Mudhoobunsee there were sporadic cases of cholera at Mahta and Bhatolia; otherwise there have been no epidemics. In the Bukwa circle, of the deaths reported, 18 are of persons on charitable relief. In Motipore, out of 80 reported deaths, 18 were of persons in receipt of charitable relief. In Darbhanga, there have also been a few sporadic cases of cholera.

For the Mohomedpore circle the following percentages are given by Dr. Macdonnell:—

	Beginning of July.	End of July.
Normal	66 per cent.	75 per cent.
Anemic	21 "	22 "
Emaciated	9 "	3 "

Generally the condition of the people is so good that, with the cutting of the murwa crop, the number of persons receiving charitable relief may safely be diminished. Along the Northern Frontier there are, however, still numbers of haggard lean-looking persons, mostly wanderers from Nepal, to be seen, and some few even of our own people, who remind me of the earlier famine months.

6. The following statement shows the number of relief labourers in the six Sub-divisions:—

NAME OF SUB-DIVISION.	Daily average of laborers on relief works.	PUBLIC WORKS.		CIRCLE OFFICERS.		COURT OF WARDS.	
		Task.	Daily.	Task.	Daily.	Task.	Daily.
Sectamurhee	3,318	1,205	.....	.....	2,613	.....	.....
Poojee	2,008	1,132	.....	.....	858	.....	.....
Mudhoobunsee	14,061	6,767	2,268	2,241	3,065	.....	.....
Narsya	16,394	.....	1,312	1,811	11,745	491	329
Darbhanga	1,701	849	.....	.....	611	521	.....
Bahia	2,934	890	.....	.....	2,074	.....	.....
Total	40,190	10,223	3,600	4,062	21,004	922	329

There is a large increase in labourers in the Modheypore circle, but these are almost entirely women and children. The Relief Officer thought they needed relief, and, as their employment would not effect field work, they were employed on repairs to roads, making village footpaths; as the murwa crop ripens, these works will be closed.

7. The following statement shows the amount of grain expended in payment of labour during the fortnight:—

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	AMOUNT OF GRAIN.	
	Rice. Mds.	Pulses. Mds.
Darbhanga	5,450*	.....
Hathoe	4,781	.....
Mudhoobunsee	10,272	430
Narsya	13,814	.....
Poojee	1,819†	.....
Sectamurhee	1,495	8
Total	37,631	438

Amount of Grain Expended in payment of Labour in Sectamurhee.

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	AMOUNT OF GRAIN.			
	Rice.		Pulses.	
	Mds.	S.	Mds.	S.
Belahoe	8	33	0	.....
Gurra	58	1	8	.....
Dyne Chapra	41	19	15	.....
Dumrah	10	2	1½	8 3 11
Bathua	204	24	1½	.....
Rajapatti	2	86	0	.....
Sectamurhee ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Panchour	537	35	12	.....
Bhoethoe	633	7	6	.....
Shochur ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bhagwanpore ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Amwaha ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Murpa ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saidpore ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	1,495	89	13	8 3 11

* This amount includes labourers employed at golas, transport coolies, wage of bullocks, and cart drivers, and part payment of establishments, &c., &c., &c.

† Of which amount 766 maunds were paid for tokens. Return of one circle not received.

Amount of Grain Expended in payment of Labour during the fortnight ending 15th August 1874 in the Mudhoobunnee Sub-division.

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	AMOUNT OF GRAIN PAID BY CIRCLE OFFICERS.		AMOUNT OF GRAIN PAID BY PUBLIC WORKS OFFICERS.	
	Rice.		Rice.	
	Mds.	Srs. Ch.	Mds.	Srs. Ch.
Mudhoobunnee	917	38 7		
Matipore			430	15 10½
Jhanjhapore	431	23 8		
Bukwa	888	2 1		
Ungson	1,409	8 10		
Kachra	280	3 0		
Total	4,032	35 10	430	15 10½
			6,239	8 8½

STORAGE OF GRAIN.

8. All the grains in stock are being examined, re-stacked, and re-arranged, and in some places, where empty golas admit of it, the pulses are being separately stored.

The rice is not in any way getting damaged; damaged bags in which the rice is unfit for food, as they are discovered are destroyed, but they are very few in number.

9. Sales.—Sales in the western golas of Soetamurhee have been particularly brisk during the fortnight; 5,000 maunds were sold at Murpa, and what with sales and advances the golas were entirely emptied. To refill these golas grain has been pushed on from the surplus stocks at Dyne (Chuprah), Iturwa, Kunhowlee, Sonbursa and Nurga. The Nepaulees have been eager purchasers all along the frontier.

10. At Amoah and Shewhur the grain stocks have fallen to about 2,000 maunds, and supplies have been entirely sent from Bhugwanpore. In Bhootahee, sales are dull; also at Sonbursa and Kunhowlee.

In Mudhoobunnee Rs. 8,07,179-3-11 have been realized by sale of grain, and in Durbhunga Rs. 7,02,282; but there has been a falling off in the Mudhoobunnee sales, viz., 26,803 maunds, as compared with 40,335 in the previous fortnight, at the several stock-houses.

	Actual sales up to date.
Soetamurhee	1,01,537
Peopree	1,01,179
Mudhoobunnee	3,93,644 Since increased by
Naraya	54,803 12,000 maunds.
Durbhunga	1,08,167
Hatheo	2,80,275
Total	11,24,105

Receipt and Allotment of Grain in the Sub-division of Mudhoobunnee.

Mudhoobunnee sub-division.	Total grain allotted.	Number and names of store-houses.	Arrived at final destination.	REMARKS.
	Mds.		Mds. Srs. Ch.	
Mudhoobunnee circle	1,20,000	Mudhoobunnee	1,06,229 28 9	
	75,000	Pandaul	70,933 30 0	
	40,000	Kowan	40,043 20 0	
Matipore circle	75,000	Rudhpore	75,321 25 1	
	65,000	Basdeopore	66,336 0 0	
Jhanjhapore circle	1,20,000	Jhanjhapore	1,00,523 0 0	
	60,000	Barso	69,400 14 12	
Bukwa circle	1,10,000	Khajowli	1,02,341 20 0	
	60,000	Jadina	47,308 0 0	
	60,000	Sodhip Kalan	11,000 0 0	
	40,000	Komkya Naradh	39,947 20 0 43,110 20 0	
Ungson circle	48,000	Haraki	90,939 0 0	
	45,000	Phet		
	44,000	Deodha		
Kachra circle	1,10,000	Benipatti	1,09,460 0 0	Of this amount 14,438 transferred to Arer. In addition to 14,438 re- ceived from Benipatti.
	60,000	Paloe	45,104 0 0	
	10,000	Arer	13,631 0 0	
Total	11,60,000	Total	10,07,042 18 0	

Storage of Grain, Durbhunga Sub-division.

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	QUANTITY OF GRAIN STORED.
Durbhunga	1,54,408
Mohamedpore	1,47,951
Hyaplat	1,42,367
Warivnagar	97,168
Bunder	69,836
Lohra	54,000
Total for Durbhunga Relief Sub-division	6,54,700

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	QUANTITY OF GRAIN STORED.
Dacosta	1,77,523
Ginguliah	1,42,548
Itanar	1,78,924
Singhia	75,946
Hirni	66,421
Hussainpore	42,734
Total for Hathee Bazar Sub-division	6,83,736
GRAND TOTAL	19,39,436

Storage and Consumption of Grain in the Pooree Sub-division.

CIRCLES.	Total amount received.	Transferred to other circles.	Transferred from other circles.	Total or balance.	Expended.	Balance
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Noranga	19,454	10,000		9,454	5,511	3,943
Parhar	41,850			41,850	14,194	27,656
Norrand	75,254	1,000		74,254	20,002	54,252
Cheroot	39,747			39,747	35,141	4,606
Peopree	32,900	2,000		30,900	18,332	12,568
Bomrang	25,171	15,000		10,171	12,487	7,684
Bomrang	20,106			20,106	27,218	7,112
Jaisy	25,348		1,400	26,748	69,794	24,354
Total	4,16,129	33,000	1,400	3,70,529	2,19,271	1,51,258

Statement showing the Storage and Consumption of Government Grain in the Sub-division of Seelamurhee for the fortnight ending Saturday, the 8th August 1874.

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	Dates for which returns are given.	TOTAL QUANTITY OF GOVT. GRAIN CONSUMED UP TO DATE.						Estimated Grain expended for the fortnight.
		By sale to labourers.	By sale to general public.	By gratuitous distribution.	By advance to ryots.	By payment in kind to labourers.	Total.	
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Seelamurhee	7th August	2,048	11,350	1,081	20,087	2,892	37,449	7,000
Puchore	4th "	813	738	245	323	1,102	3,221	700
Bhoobhe	5th "	1,040	9,356	2,032	12,358	4,354	34,140	400
Dyne Chuprah	6th "	2,055	8,417	1,090	4,012	237	15,811	4,000
Murpah	6th "	2,066	13,825	1,704	10,229	5,686	33,510	10,000
Amowah	6th "	297	10,784	2,901	15,065	2,396	31,443	8,000
Bhoobhe	6th "	2,808	11,806	7,414	14,593	5,636	41,257	5,000
Hussainpore	6th "	840	7,132	1,347	7,996	3,150	20,465	3,000
Balshi	6th "	580	4,887	976	3,710	1,005	11,258	1,500
Sekipore	6th "	2,821	9,419	1,435	6,970	674	21,329	3,000
Garia	6th "	313	2,465	982	3,467	1,887	9,103	1,000
Rajspetty	6th "	182	350	358	1,482	340	2,612	100
Dumra	6th "	328	225	289	2,028	287	4,157	200
Bathnabe	6th "	268	257	448	4,820	1,294	6,887	500
Total		16,264	86,183	23,550	1,12,850	30,830	2,68,787	42,000

GRAIN SALES.—Poopree.

CIRCLES.	Up to last return.	During week.	Total.	REMARKS.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
Noranga	3,000	83	4,083	The sales in the Cheroot circle have gone up owing to the establishment of a new saddle gola at Mudmapore on the frontier, where 200 or 400 maunds are sold daily.
Parhar	9,007	343	9,350	
Norrand	19,129	800	19,929	
Cheroot	9,070	2,043	11,113	
Peopree	7,945	741	8,686	
Bomrang	8,373	223	8,596	
Hussainpore	11,345	Not received.	11,345	
Jaisy	31,909	4,011	35,920	
Total	91,826	9,225	1,01,051	

No. 2.

Statement showing the Receipt and Consumption of Grain in the Multichurne Sub-division up to the Fortnight ending 5th August 1874.

Number	Name of Circles	Period for which figures are given	Total allotment	Quantity of grain received	By sales	By gratuitous distribution in any shape	Advanced to ryots by Circles Officers	Advanced to ryots by District Officers	Paid in kind by Public Officers	Given to ryots by Public Officers	In application for seed	By payment of subsidy on seed	By loss or wastage	Total
			Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.
1	Multichurne	31st July	233,600	2,72,000 24 9	1,67,000 5 13	1,188 17 14	6,550 24 10	7,274 10 10	6,164 30 2	3,278 28 8	1,405 2 5	.....	.....	1,32,000 2 49
2	Medinipur	31st "	1,20,000	1,20,000 28 1	75,676 41 11	8,030 6 10	6,600 25 25	3,840 13 3	5,254 38 8	4,305 10 11	.....	.....	.....	67,104 24 49
3	Chandpur	31st "	1,90,000	1,90,000 10 17	60,400 10 54	4,753 14 11	9,790 13 64	5,054 8 12	2,270 37 13	1,897 6 1	897 30 0	.....	.....	95,400 10 10
4	Buxar	31st "	2,00,000	2,00,000 30 0	97,182 24 94	12,107 10 0	10,925 9 6	2,072 3 8	1,629 54 15	6,480 20 8	500 30 6	.....	.....	1,28,000 00 15
5	Cumilla	31st "	1,25,000	90,750 0 0	64,120 7 7	3,054 7 6	11,975 21 9	.....	4,417 30 9	975 0 4	.....	.....	.....	71,025 27 4
6	Kachar	31st "	1,00,000	1,07,857 0 0	42,400 30 10	8,120 2 13	12,112 21 14	4,904 52 18	8,250 4 8	2,941 18 0	.....	.....	.....	77,515 30 1
	Total	.....	11,60,000	10,97,052 18 6	5,56,044 13 24	51,009 27 93	80,516 30 0	29,274 27 15	32,542 19 14	18,411 1 1	2,604 21 10	601 0 1	10,500 19 49	6,55,000 30 112

TOTAL CONSUMPTION OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN.

Statement showing the Consumption of Government Grain in the Mudhoobunnee Sub-division for the fortnight ending 7th August 1874.

	Up to date of last return.		During the fortnight.		Total.	
	Mds.	Sr. Ch.	Mds.	Sr. Ch.	Mds.	Sr. Ch.
By sale	3,82,640	33 11½	21,772	7 4	4,04,422	11 15½
In charitable relief	46,017	38 7½	10,998	1 1½	57,015	39 8½
Advanced to ryots by Circle Officers	48,225	11 7	22,647	20 0	70,872	31 7
Advanced to ryots by Court of Wards' servants	27,912	16 7	17,259	20 1	45,171	36 8
Paid in kind by Circle Officers	25,923	33 5½	5,513	13 7½	32,437	6 12½
Paid in kind by Public Works Officers	17,950	83 11½	4,048	39 15½	21,999	33 11
In exchange for seed	651	0 1			651	0 1
Given to Transport Officers	1,794	14 4	1,328	29 4	3,122	34 8
By payment of establishment in kind	4	0 0			4	0 0
By loss or wastage	10,245	2 6½	7 10 0		10,252	12 6½
Total	5,60,474	23 13½	84,575	12 1	6,45,049	35 14½

Statement showing the Storage and Consumption of Government Grain up to the fortnight ending 8th August 1874, in the Naraya Sub-division.

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	Dates for which figures are given.	Total allotment.	Total quantity of Government grain received up to date.	TOTAL CONSUMPTION OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN.							Total.
				By sale.	By gratuitous distribution in any shape.	Advances to ryots by Circle Officers.	Paid in kind by Circle Officers.	Paid in kind by Public Works Officers.	Given to Transport Officers.	By loss or wastage.	
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Naraya	4th August	1,00,000	86,278	24	88	.....	230	.....	151	5	1,3104
Mohadeomut	1st ..	90,000	80,066	7,748	402	.....	1,676	.....	12	.....	9,437
East Patrahi	1st ..	80,000	51,115	2,657	1,135	2,023	198	.....	320	.....	6,945
West Patrahi	2nd ..	1,00,000	1,23,088	3,180	1,240	429	212	.....	.....	.....	5,147
Perosaghur	2nd ..	80,000	91,670	10	652	.....	37	.....	157	.....	890
Modheypore	1st ..	1,50,000	1,09,040	40,175	17,019	24,973	17,283	1,405	545	48	35,815
Total		6,40,000	6,47,291	54,305	20,084	28,697	13,097	1,405	1,047	53	1,19,5494

On Grain Sale and Consumption, Naraya.

Names of Circles.	Up to what date.	Amount credited.
Naraya	.....	51,255 2 0
Mahadeomut	{ 31st July to 1st August	16,723 7 1
West Patrahi	31st July	7,271 4 6
East ..	2nd August	6,335 6 0
Perosaghur	.....	44,695 3 0
Modheypore	.....	1,18,843 11 11
Total	.....	3,45,122 32 2

In the Perosaghur and Modheypore circles sales have almost stopped, and partly so in Naraya, owing to the large amount given in advance and to payment in kind. Mahadeomut still sells well, and so does East Patrahi; West Patrahi has slackened; sales of pulses in the latter circle have been almost stopped by the absurdly cheap rate of some neighbouring Mudhoobunnee gola.

Statement showing the Storage and Consumption of Grain in the Durbhunga Sub-division for the fortnight ending 31st July 1874.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Name of Cactus.	Dates for which figures are given.	Total allotment of Government grain.	Total quantity of grain transferred to other sub-divisions.	TOTAL CONSUMPTION OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN.					Total.	Realised.	Outstanding.	Estimated grain on hand at the beginning of the fortnight.
				By sale to the public or to labourers.	By gratuitous distribution in any shape.	By advance to ryots.	By payment in kind to labourers.	Issued to Transport Department as food.				
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Rs.	Rs.	Mds.
Durbhunga	31st July 1874	110,000	1,64,408	83,473	14,671	10,195	6,849	890	83,565	1,34,009	.....	9,000
Malomchore	31st ditto	179,000	1,47,951	66,831	12,831	91,365	5,078	1,611	1,06,105	9,02,871	2,748	9,000
Hinghat	31st ditto	146,000	1,49,337	84,915	13,374	18,977	9,031	2,990	92,767	1,04,875	767	10,000
Waringan	31st ditto	1,00,000	97,168	28,731	10,092	11,892	6,079	40	62,673	98,161	623	10,000
Budhar	31st ditto	65,000	68,888	8,368	9,168	2,760	4,175	1,111	25,674	30,631	2,335	5,000
Lahn	31st ditto	54,000	54,000	6,925	9,211	7,444	2,745	1,016	38,941	16,468	527	4,000
Total for Durbhunga	.....	6,67,000	6,54,700	1,83,161	74,145	74,637	31,365	6,448	3,80,596	5,46,623	7,593	44,000
Duoria	31st July 1874	214,000	1,77,523	86,993	88,937	17,969	7,093	.....	89,961	.....	.....	9,000
Gungda	31st ditto	1,29,000	1,42,449	19,205	25,395	8,604	9,994	1,116	54,734	33,436	693	6,000
Bahar	31st ditto	2,08,000	1,78,624	15,340	34,118	6,019	7,593	70	57,038	49,935	2,253	5,000
Sagha	31st ditto	80,000	75,946	13,453	25,958	6,817	10,118	141	37,413	27,355	290	6,000
Hrai	31st ditto	64,000	66,461	3,170	17,357	11,169	6,316	843	33,663	8,583	753	3,500
Humenpore	31st ditto	84,000	46,734	12,625	15,100	2,183	6,163	.....	33,460	33,411	1,369	1,000
Total for Bahar	.....	7,85,000	6,84,736	271,144	1,43,793	61,170	44,823	1,870	2,58,170	1,55,690	5,375	34,000
Grand Total	.....	13,99,000	13,89,480	4,80,575	2,16,938	1,26,007	77,269	8,116	7,00,696	7,02,353	13,068	60,000

Grain Sale and Consumption, Durbhunga Sub-division.

Names of circles.	Up to what date.	Amount credited.
		Ru.
Durbhunga	31st July	1,42,464
Mohamedpore	"	2,02,971
Jaypohat	"	1,04,575
Warisnuggur	"	68,161
Budhar	"	20,531
Lehra	"	16,408
Total for Durbhunga Relief Sub-division		5,55,130
Dasowta	31st July	Returns imperfect.
Gungdah	"	33,436
Kohar	"	42,835
Singhis	"	37,325
Hirni	"	8,523
Huasunpore	"	33,511
Total for Hati Relief Sub-division		155,630
Grand Total		710,760

STATE OF PRIVATE GRAIN TRADE.

12. There have been a few imports of pulses, and table rice has appeared in quantities sufficient to meet all demands at 10 seers per rupee, but murwa and Indian-corn are fast coming into the market, the former selling in a few places at 52 kutchas seers per rupee. The main dependence is still on the Government stocks. At Kurlabee, scores of Nepanlese throng the golas, but the sales will probably not aggregate more than 400 maunds a day; whilst at Deodah, which has been cleared out, the sales will daily average about 100 maunds. These northern golas have been replenished from Durbhunga by boats, as also from Cherout, in the Poopree Circle.

At Jaley, where sales hitherto had been almost nil, a brisk demand is springing up, as also at Seebnuggur, which has been replenished by Mr. Forbes from other golas. In the Durbhunga circle, similarly, there has been a good deal of grain transfer, and the sub-divisional officers have to give their particular attention to the fluctuating demands at their several stock-houses.

13. *Statement showing the grain advances to cultivators and others.*

Names of sub-divisions.	Up to the previous fortnight.	During the present fortnight.	Total.
Madhoobunnee	30,663	29,248	59,916
Naraya	47,343	15,455	62,798
Durbhunga	70,700	8,833	79,533
Hathoe	43,984	8,633	52,617
Seetamurhee	32,549	14,493	47,042
Poopree	55,809	6,643	62,452
Total	2,41,358	79,764	3,21,122

Relief under Headings B. C. D. (dates not given).

SETAMURHER SUB-DIVISION.

NAME OF CIRCLES.	B.	C.	D.
	Relief to persons unable to work.	Expenditure in weaving and spinning.	Expenditure on persons of high caste.
	Mds. Rs. Ch.	Mds. Rs. Ch.	Mds. Rs. Ch.
Betahi	169 86 13		
Gavha	160 5 6	56 19 8	1 19 8
Dyne Chaprah	290 30 0		34 0 0
Dumrah	88 21 5	0 23 14	490 32 4
Bathnaha	98 21 14	7 24 4	15 10 6
Kay-pully	2 28 8	Nil.	21 11 0
Solanahnee	60 20 0	30 36 2	2 0 0
Panchore	83 23 0	Nil.	
Bhoothee	850 0 0	277 0 0	
Sheshur	1,653 26 11	533 7 6	20 0 0
Ambah			204 4 0
Thagwanpore			
Murpe			
Kantipore			
Total	3,500 18 12	1,013 18 10	786 30 2

Returns not received.

NARAYA.

Relief under Headings B. C. D.

NAME OF CIRCLES.	B.	C.	D.
	Distribution of gratuitous relief to persons unable to work.	Expenditure on weaving, spinning, &c.	Expenditure on high caste persons.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Naraya	1,123		
Mahadromut	2,436	134	
West Patrahi	2,312	220	5,067
East Patrahi	1,448	40	303
Perazphur	9,566	21	2,917
Moulbypore	56,066	2,131	3,919
Total	73,870	2,545	13,236

Relief under Headings B. C. D. of the Central Committee's Circular, for the Fortnight ending 5th August 1874.

Names of Circles.	b.	c.	d.	REMARKS.
	Distribution of gratuitous relief to persons unable to work.	Expenditure in weaving, spinning, &c.	Expenditure on high caste persons.	
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Mudhoobunnee	2,616 6 8	772 7 6	5,415 9 6	Not received. Ditto.
Mahipore				
Jhanyharpore				
Bulwa	M. R. C. 744 28 9½	M. R. C. 244 26 11½	M. R. C. 225 20 0	
Ungson	201 29 0	112 26 0	97 0 0	
Kachra	75 0 0	23 5 14	1,887 0 0	
Total	1,021 17 9½	290 26 11½	2,309 2 0 0	

FORM B.

Statement showing the Expenditure on Charitable Relief in the Poopree Sub-division during the month of July 1874.

Name of sub-division.	Average number of persons in receipt of charitable relief.	TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF GRAIN ON CHARITABLE RELIEF.				EXPENDITURE OF CASH ON CHARITABLE RELIEF.										REMARKS.	
		Private grain brought in bazar.		Government grain supplied from store.		In rice with the daily grain doles.	In cloth &c.	In milk or other food.	On Special donations.	In other ways, viz. in money, &c.	Miscellaneous.	Total.	Total expenditure of the month as actually disbursed.	Total up to end of previous month.	Grand total of expenditure up to end of previous month.		
		Mds.	Cust.	Mds.	Cust.												
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
Pooree ...	4,000	.....	.....	2,040	5,840	1,057	...	16	3	5,907	30	5,973	6,073	14,525	21,228	

Advances.—DURDHUNGA SUB-DIVISION.

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	PREVIOUS.		PRESENT.	REMARKS.
	Money.	Grain.	Grain.	
	Ra.	Mds.	Mds.	
Durbhunga	2,065	9,880	313	
Mahomedpore	1,302	18,607	2,558	
Kyapbat	7,030	18,376*	....
Waranagaur	3,288	9,853	1,869	■ Entry in last return showed the total
Bandhar	175	5,320	420	advances granted, not, as it should, the
Lehta	3,445	6,222	1,222	quantity removed
Total for Durbhunga R. R.	19,310	69,454	6,383	
	10,690	15,764	3,652	
Ganglah	14,050	4,891	3,113	
Rotar	4,823	4,903	110	
Singhia	14,900	6,088	750	
Hira	5,590	10,452	700	
Huanpore	3,075	1,390	247	
Total	62,016	43,094	8,031	
Grand Total	71,226	1,12,438	13,415	

Entry in last return showed the total advances granted, not, as it should, the quantity removed.

NARAYAN.

NAMES OF CIRCLES.	PREVIOUS.			PRESENT.
	Money.			
	Ra.	A.	P.	
Narayan	...	...	13,370	1,553
Mohilemut	45	0	0	2,822
West Patrahi	...	...	7,172	708
East Patrahi	...	...	3,853	2,000
Peronghur	...	...	6,357	7,000
Mohypore	37	0	0	17,004
Total	82	0	0	47,718

MUDHOORUNEE.

NAMES OF CIRCLE.	PREVIOUS.				PRESENT FOR 1874.			
	Money.		Advanced by Officers.		Advanced by Court of Ward's.		Advanced by Court of Ward's.	
	Ra.	A. P.	Mds.	Sr. Ch.	Mds.	Sr. Ch.	Mds.	Sr. Ch.
Mudhoorunee	...	...	6,700	20 8	9,120	29 8	2,800	8 5
Mahore	...	...	3,905	31 10	374	30 8	3,703	25 8
Jharharpore	...	...	6,000	52 10	...	...	3,000	15 10
Mukwa	50 0 0	...	4,201	38 2	...	...	6,000	11 0
Uman	...	...	6,617	37 7	...	...	5,207	24 2
Kachua	5,341 0 0	...	6,002	4 10	...	...	7,000	17 4
Total	4,100 0 0	...	30,008	7 13	11,900	6 25 0	20,348	31 3

SESTAMURHEE.					Present grain.	
Names of Circles.					Mds.	S. C.
Belaboe	...	...	...	...	503	11 9 ⁰
Gurra	...	...	...	...	1,387	26 0
Dyne Chuprah	...	...	...	...	1,439	20 14
Dumra	...	...	...	...	89	0 0
Bathnaha	...	...	...	...	1,023	31 0 [†]
Rajepatti	...	...	...	...	214	20 0
Panchoor	...	...	...	...	4	0 0
Sestamurhee	...	...	...	...	2,707	0 0
Bhoothoe	...	...	...	...	2,885	25 8
Sheohur	...	...	...	...	4,918	0 0
Bhugwanpore	...	...	...	...	Not received.	
Amoosh	...	...	...	...
Murja	...	...	...	...
Saúpore	...	...	...	...
Total					14,492	35 11

14. The following statement gives the numbers at present on charitable relief:—

					NUMBER ON CHARITABLE RELIEF.	
NAMES OF CIRCLES.					Village relief.	Poor houses.
Durbhanga	...	...	...	...	7,638	187
Mohomedpore	...	...	...	...	2,884	42
Hyaghat	...	...	...	...	7,461	...
Warisungur	...	...	...	...	6,559	81
Bundhur	...	...	...	...	1,223	...
Lehra	...	...	...	...	9,658	...
Total of Durbhanga Sub-division					20,428	280
Deowra	...	...	...	...	25,624	120
Gungdah	...	...	...	...	8,028	27
Rohur	...	...	...	...	10,965	46
Singha	...	...	...	...	14,824	149
Hirna	...	...	...	...	13,106	...
Hussupore	...	...	...	...	9,148	100
Total of Hathoe Sub-division					81,394	437
Norunga	...	...	...	...	331	...
Farbar	...	...	...	...	1,252	...
Scorund	...	...	...	...	1,166	...
Cherowte	...	...	...	...	2,278	...
Poopree	...	...	...	...	126	...
Bongong	...	...	...	...	421	...
Sibnagar	...	...	...	...	Not received.	
Jaley	...	...	...	...
Total of Poopree Sub-division					7,613	...
Naraya	...	...	...	...	1,844	65
Mohadromut	...	...	...	...	2,182	61
West Patrahi	...	...	...	...	2,297	45
East Patrahi	...	...	...	...	1,750	14
Perozeahur	...	...	...	...	15,440	16
Modheypore	...	...	...	...	3,158	118
Total of Naraya Sub-division					26,671	204
Mudhoobunnee	...	...	...	...	6,880	207
Motipore	...	...	...	...	17,791	247
Jhanjarpore	...	...	...	...	7,440	23
Bukwa	...	...	...	...	4,257	190
Umgon	...	...	...	...	1,408	268
Kachra	...	...	...	...	5,876	80
Total of Mudhoobunnee Sub-division					48,601	990
Sestamurhee Sub-division					16,408	...
Grand Total					2,06,111	1,961

* Correct return of previous advances not given in the returns.

† Deputy Collector.

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Comparative statement between the figures in the last and present fortnight.

Name of Sub-divisions	Past fortnight.	Present fortnight.	Increase.	Decrease.
Darbhanga	33,144	30,658	...	2,486
Hathee & ...	91,738	81,831	...	9,907
Madhubansee	29,529	44,501	14,963	...
Naraya	30,189	26,976	...	3,213
Pasroee	8,244	7,612	...	632
Sectamurhee	11,956	16,105	4,149	...
Total	2,04,998	2,08,972	3,974	...

G.—Financial results of the Sectamurhee Sub-division.

RECEIPTS.

ITEMS.	Up to last fortnight, 21st July 1874.	Within the fortnight from 22nd July to 4th August.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Sale proceeds of Government grain	2,41,276 10 3	46,751 0 2	2,88,027 10 5
Receipts other than golas	2,404 13 9	0 4 0	2,405 1 9
Total	2,43,681 8 0	46,751 4 2	2,90,432 12 2

DISBURSEMENTS.

ITEMS.	Up to last narrative.	During the fortnight.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Salaries, contingencies, and establishment	24,420 13 0	5,412 2 4	29,832 15 4
Package and incidentals	1,227 13 3	...	1,227 13 3
Storage, including buildings and repairs	15,048 14 6	...	15,048 14 6
Charitable relief	53,583 11 4	...	53,583 11 4
Public Works	3,32,115 9 2	...	3,32,115 9 2
Miscellaneous	1,22,955 10 9	...	1,22,955 10 9
Transport of Government grain	1,10,536 15 1	482 3 0	1,11,018 18 1
Advances to trustworthy residents for purchase of grain.	5,789 1 6	...	5,789 1 6
Advances to traders	12,475 0 0	...	12,475 0 0
Ditto to zemindars to help their ryots	33,725 0 0	...	33,725 0 0
Loans for land improvements	18,260 0 0	...	18,260 0 0
Ditto to ryots	1,100 0 0	...	1,100 0 0
Purchase of bullocks	36,060 0 0	...	36,060 0 0
Total	7,87,458 9 4	5,894 5 4	7,93,352 14 8

POOPREE SUB-DIVISION.

Financial statement to end of July.

	Poopree Sub-division.	Poopree Circle.	Chorowote.	Nurga.	Purihar.	Soorand.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Salaries, &c.	2,283 15 1	771 10 0	1,224 15 9	650 0 0	1,761 8 8	211 8 11	8,006 10 3
Package and incidentals	30 0 0	180 4 3	...	...	...	...	422 13 9
Storage, &c.	648 5 2	88 9 0	1,212 14 0	740 0 0	2,880 4 3	851 11 6	5,413 13 0
Charitable	...	373 5 9	1,113 1 0	280 0 0	946 5 9	325 13 9	2,937 10 3
Relief works	1,800 0 0	5,023 4 5	3,224 8 8	3,500 0 0	12,721 2 9	6,843 3 0	35,391 3 3
Transport	229 1 0	13 13 0	227 11 2	174 0 0	38 11 0	250 1 8	990 6 5
Advances in money	...	...	...	...	...	220 0 0	220 0 0
Construction of hospitals	...	...	1,121 0 4	...	...	100 7 0	2,344 12 4
Police quarters, Hospital and Assistant's quarters	1,114 5 0	...	...	...	...	...	21,033 13 6
Piece of cotton	27,033 13 6	1,011 7 0	5,123 2 0	294 0 0	5,470 10 6	750 9 3	11,586 12 9
Police quarters, weaving, &c.	221 13 0	...	34 7 0	20 0 0	13 12 0	62 0 0	837 3 3
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	35,020 8 1	10,944 3 11	4,291 12 6	6,288 0 0	21,070 13 11	10,425 10 8	1,21,680 2 10

G.—FINANCIAL RESULTS.

Financial results, Muthcoobunnee Sub-division, for the fortnight ending 5th August 1874.

Heads of accounts chargeable.	Total expended up to last narrative.	Expenditure in the fortnight under report.	Total expenditure up to date.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Salaries, establishments, and office contingencies	48,884 9 4	5,848 4 8	54,732 13 9
Package and incidental	2,705 7 8	.....	2,705 7 8
Storage, including building and repairs	10,473 13 1	.....	10,473 13 1
Grants-in-aid for charitable relief	3,980 11 0	.....	3,980 11 0
Miscellaneous	29,154 1 9	165 10 7	29,319 12 6
Transport of Government grain	9,750 0 0	8,000 0 0	17,750 0 0
Advances to trustworthy residents for purchase of grain	20,733 0 0	.....	20,733 0 0
Permanent advances	22,965 8 9	.....	22,965 8 9
Village works or loans for land improvement	10,21,016 1 5	7,021 8 2	10,28,037 4 4
Public works or district road funds	9,82,544 12 6	97,066 14 2	10,79,610 10 8
Total	21,50,344 1 2	1,12,943 0 5	22,63,287 1 5

Financial results of the Naraya Sub-division.

Heads of accounts chargeable.	Total expenditure.
	Rs. A. P.
Salaries, establishment, and office contingencies	23,745 3 4½
Compensation to Railway Company	.....
Package and incidental storage	.....
Charitable relief	23,944 1 2½
Public works, relief works	1,24,307 12 7½
Miscellaneous	1,58,458 6 3½
Purchase of grain by Government	.....
Transport of Government grain	675 14 6½
Advances to trustworthy residents for purchase of grain, support of ryots, and purchase of seeds, &c.	37 0 0
Advances to traders for purchase of grain	.....
Loans to municipalities and towns	.....
Loans under the Land Improvement Act	.....
Total	3,61,172 6 0½

Financial results, Durbhunga Sub-division, for the fortnight ending 31st July 1874.

Heads of charge.	Total expenditure up to last narrative.	Expenditure during the fort- night under report.	Total expenditure up to date.	REMARKS
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Salaries, establishments, and contingencies	1,14,851 7 9	14,067 14 8	1,28,917 5 11	
Compensation to Railway Companies, package, and incidentals	.....	.....	.....
Storage	22,674 11 9	.....	22,674 11 9	
Charitable relief	2,42,764 5 4	.....	2,42,764 5 4	
Public works	9,56,175 10 5	.....	9,56,175 10 5	
Miscellaneous	1,50,940 8 3	2,086 1 6	1,53,026 9 9	
Purchase of grain by Government	5,921 6 3	.....	5,921 6 3	
Transport of Government grain	1,35,547 40 3 9	*18,314 8 3	1,53,861 7 0	
Advances to trustworthy residents	62,300 0 0	.....	62,300 0 0	
Advances to traders for purchase of grain	2,550 0 0	.....	2,550 0 0	
Loans to municipalities and townships	.....	.....	.....
Loans under Land Improvement Act	.....	.....	.....
Total	22,79,540 0 0	20,448 2 11	23,00,000 3 7	The discrepancy between this and the last statement is of Rs. 51,261-4-0, which is owing to omission of loans under Land Im- provement Act. This charge was a mistake.

* Rs. 2,520 paid in advance.

Cash Sales,--Naraya.

Name of Circle.	Date.	Rice.					OTHER GRAINS.					Total amount.
		Sales to laborers.	Sales to bunnahs.	Sales to public.	Total.	Rate.	Amount.	Sales to bunnahs.	Sales to public.	Total.	Rate.	Amount.
Naraya	22nd July to 4th August	8	26	821 29	835 19	2 19	2212 3 3	...	...	...	...	...
Mohadramat	21st " to 1st "	...	2,000	5,044 32	7,044 32	12 54	5 5	1,200	2,845 39	4,045 39	3 00	12,091 7 1
West Parah	...	...	1,333	2,450 6	3,783 6	6 10	6 10	183	217 39	390 39	...	7,271 6 6
East ditto	21st " to 1st "	97	172 6	1,216	1,485 6	12 7 7	6 10	50 15	168 9	218 14	12 7 7	2,685 6 0
Peranghar	22nd " to 1st "	...	80	33 54	113 54	...	...	...	...	...	...	171 5 0
Mohadramat	21st " to 1st "	11,068	21,979 8	11,068	44,115 8	1 00	44,115 8	...	...	...	...	44,115 8
Total		11,068	22,167 1	11,068	44,303 9	1 00	44,303 9	...	...	...	...	44,303 9

Issues for which Cash is not received,--Naraya.

Name of Circle.	Date.	Rice.					OTHER GRAINS.					Total amount.
		Sales to laborers.	Sales to bunnahs.	Sales to public.	Total.	Rate.	Amount.	Sales to bunnahs.	Sales to public.	Total.	Rate.	Amount.
Naraya	22nd July to 4th August	8	26	821 29	835 19	2 19	2212 3 3	...	...	...	...	...
Mohadramat	21st " to 1st "	...	2,000	5,044 32	7,044 32	12 54	5 5	1,200	2,845 39	4,045 39	3 00	12,091 7 1
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Peranghar	22nd " to 1st "	...	80	33 54	113 54	171 5 0
Mohadramat	21st " to 1st "	11,068	21,979 8	11,068	44,115 8	1 00	44,115 8	44,115 8
Total		11,068	22,167 1	11,068	44,303 9	1 00	44,303 9	44,303 9

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Medinipur
Thakurpore
Bhakra
Unguri
Kachra

* Claimed rice sells at 15 seers, cargo rice at 15, wheat at 15, and other grains at 10 seers per rupee.

Comparative Statement of Crimes

		Meekamchuc	Medicobanance	Durbhanga
Draco	1874			
Robbery	1874			
	1873	11		
House-breaking	1873	11		
	1872	21	not given	
	1874	16		
Theft	1873	8	13	
	1872	4	6	
			7	
	1874	30	13	
	1873	22	6	
	1872	28	7	

W. T. METCALFE,
Additional Commissioner.

No. 822.

Statement of Expenditure (Charitable Relief) in the Durbhanga Sub-division from the commencement of operations to 30th June 1874.

Names of Sub-Divisions.	Months for which figures are given.	Daily average number receiving relief.	Expenditure incurred under heading B.	Expenditure incurred under heading C.	Expenditure incurred under heading D.	Miscellaneous.	Orphanage.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Durbhanga Sub-division.	March	2,393	1,912 8 1	133 14 0		7 0 0		2,053 8 1
	April	28,370	30,785 8 10	636 11 1	1,366 5 6	217 14 11	21 0 2	32,993 8 0
	May	41,080	72,110 0 71	2,605 2 3	1,743 13 0	495 8 7	24 0 2	77,945 1 1
	June	34,047	64,021 1 2	6,122 2 1	3,193 1 1	637 5 5	24 0 2	74,032 0 11
	Total for 4 mos.		1,66,765 11 81	9,635 13 5	5,243 3 4	1,337 12 11	72 0 6	1,86,074 9 101
Haldighati Sub-division.	March	12,904	16,372 8 11	6 13 6	120 8 4		4 12 3	16,704 11 0
	April	40,080	44,285 2 7	1,539 1 0	3,340 10 1	723 14 0	27 13 0	49,899 9 5
	May	50,024	84,294 0 0	22,863 1 4	11,661 4 5	2,581 1 7	24 0 0	1,01,108 1 6
	June	73,392	1,13,089 1 7	2,682 4 1	30,363 5 7	5,988 5 0	38 4 0	1,53,543 4 81
	Total for 4 mos.		2,06,077 0 7	24,372 4 1	45,464 12 5	9,277 5 1	92 15 11	3,12,517 10 7
Grand Total...			4,27,843 9 61	35,008 2 4	51,730 18 9	9,735 2 0	164 14 5	5,09,548 8 4

NOTE.—Halt figures incomplete: Bazar circle returns not having been received.

No. 4034, dated Sarun, the 15th August 1874.

Memo. by—J. S. DRUMMOND, Esq., Offg. Magistrate and Collector of Sarun.

FORWARDED to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal in the Scarcity and Relief Department, Calcutta, for information, with reference to his Circular No. 80 of the 17th November 1873.

Narrative of Scarcity and Relief in the Sarun District for the Fortnight ending 8th August 1874

A.—STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

Abundance or Scarcity of Supply in the Bazar.—While the importations by private trade continue to remain at the same small figure in the Sewan sub-division, they have fallen off by one-half in the sudder sub-division. This falling off is attributed by traders, who naturally are strongly interested in opposing the issues of Government grain, to the discouragement of private trade owing to the large advances of Government grain which have been made; but though it cannot be but that this cause should have operated to some extent, it is to be remembered, *first*, that the main supplies of this district have been drawn for months past from Oudh, and that therefore it is reasonable to expect that the surplus produce for exportation thence must be now running short; and *secondly*, that with the prospect of an abundant harvest in a few weeks, there is not much temptation to import in any considerable quantities. But be this as it may, I am fully convinced that a great

risk would have been run if early steps had not been taken to supply the cultivators with Government grain. It is to be borne in mind, *first*, that the great mass of the ryots had not the means to purchase grain in the market; *secondly*, that it is not likely that the petty mahajuns who carry the ryots on in an ordinary year, had sufficient grain stocks to make the usual advances; and *thirdly*, that, considering to what an unexpected extent private trade has met the demand in all these months past, it would have been imprudent to rely on its holding out to the end, to say nothing of the certainty that had it not been for the supplies of Government grain, prices would, as has been abundantly proved by the experience of former famines, have gone up at once, and been maintained at famine rates without regard to the available stocks in the hands of the bunnahs and others.

2. Supplies are reported by the police to be deficient at Goldengunge, in Manjhee, and Bussuntore, throughout the Musrukh thana, in Pursa, and at Kutiya; and it is, in my belief, solely owing to the slackening of the demand on the markets, in consequence of the relief of a large proportion of the population by means of Government grain, that the supplies in the bazars generally have continued to meet the demand. I have been assured by planters and others that rice is scarcely to be obtained in many of the bazars in the interior. It is to be noted that in ordinary years, the northern portion of the district is largely supplied with Nepal rice, and that with the failure of this trade, there has this year been but little attempt on the part of private trade to supply its place from other sources, and, as a consequence, prices have all along ruled much higher in those parts of the district. This alone would show the fallacy of supposing that trade is regulated in the same manner in this country as in European countries.

3. The imports, mainly into the sudder sub-division, were, during the past fortnight, at Chupra 4,750 maunds, none of which was rice; at Revelgunge 17,900 maunds, of which 1,800 maunds only were rice; at Dooreegunge 4,597 maunds; at Penapore 27 maunds; and at Roopanchap (in the Burrowlee thana of the Sewan sub-division), 709 maunds. The exports to Tirhoot and Champaran amounted to 740 and 640 maunds respectively.

4. Of the Chupra sub-division Major Jackson writes:

"The petty outlying bazars continue to be supplied with grain, but to no very great extent. In fact, there is a slight falling off, but sufficient to meet the demand."

5. Regarding the Manjhee sub-division, Mr. Tounére writes:

"The supplies imported into this sub-division are just sufficient to meet the slight demands in the bazar, and there is no surplus whatever of food-grain in them. Only 20 or 25 pack-bullocks bring provisions on market-days into one of the largest bazars; this shows how slight imports are, and from enquiries I have ascertained that in ordinary years there is always a flow of large stores into bazars on the days on which they are held.

"Food-grain cannot be always procured in the bazars, and in one bazar in particular, Kulhoon, there is no rice available at all.

"Another fact proves the scarcity of stores. In times of plenty the value of *Goruckpore* rice increases—about 72 gundas to the rupee; whereas when scarcity prevails, their value decreases, and now for instance about 80 are to be had per rupee."

6. Mr. Barry, in charge of the Pursa sub-division, reports as follows:—

"No deficiency has been reported, and prices seem stationary, or nearly so, at the figures quoted in my last report.

"The abundant crop of cheena in South Kusmer ought to reduce prices in that quarter, as a large portion of it will doubtless be thrown upon the market."

7. Unfortunately, this is the portion of the district which has been recently submerged by the Ganges inundation, and much of the cheena, it is believed, was only just being harvested.

8. The price of barley at Pursa, as given in the annexure, has probably been misquoted by the police.

9. The following is Mr. Wright's report of the Sewan sub-division:—

"The bazars continue to be well supplied, and the fact of this being the case when private importations from other districts still continue to decrease, proves, I think, that there must be a good stock of grain in the hands of the people in the sub-division. I do not mean to say that the poorer classes have any stocks of grain in their possession, as they are a class in this district who are accustomed to live from hand to mouth, but the well-to-do and the traders must have stores of grain, else the supplies in the bazars would long ere this have run short.

"The private importations of grain during the past fortnight amounted only to 6,149 maunds. The exports according to reports received were 96 maunds of barley, sent from Guthani to the Goruckpore district."

"Mr. Rattray informs me that he has had special enquiries made at the principal markets throughout this division by the tehsildar as to the reason for such a great falling off in the private grain importations, and that the tehsildar after making the enquiries reports that the large advances of Government grain given to the people have checked and almost put a stop to private trade. Traders are afraid that they will not get rid of the grain they have already in their hands, and will not therefore run the risk of importing largely as they used to do."

10. I have already alluded to the fact of the diminished demand on the markets, as well as to the probable causes of the falling off in the importations, so I need not remark further on this head.

11. Concerning the Hutwa sub-division, Mr. Hodgkinson writes:

"The supplies of grain in the bazars of this sub-division have been sufficient. The new grain, tengponoo and murwa, has begun to come into the market; bhunsloo rice is ready, and makni is being sold near the Gunduk dearah.

"The Raj tehsildar denies the correctness of the police report that the supply of grain had fallen short in Kutiya. The market has been amply supplied on every market-day, though on one or two occasions in wet weather traders and purchasers have assembled in less numbers than usual. The deficiency of supplies cannot be inferred from this circumstance, and as a matter of fact, it does not exist."

12. *Kind and Price of Grain selling at the different Marts.*—The kind and price of grain selling at the principal marts and at the thanas and outposts are given in the annexed statement.

13. Prices have fallen at Ekma, Bussantpore, Maharajgunge, Banetpore, Pursa, Sonpore, and Durrowlee. At all other places prices have risen, or are either stationary or nearly so.

14. *Stock of Food in the hands of the People.*—Major Jackson, in charge of the Chupra sub-division, writes as follows under this head:—

"I have had more particular enquiries made on this head during the past fortnight, and though exact information on such a subject must always be difficult to obtain amongst a population particularly reticent as to their private affairs, have ascertained that in several places private stocks do exist, but these are confined principally to places where other than rice crops have been in excess. In the purely rice districts, all private stocks are said to have expended."

15. Concerning the Manjhee sub-division, Mr. Tonnérre reports:

"I find that on an average, taking a village at 16 annas, only 2 annas of the ryots possess supplies of their own. This shows how urgently needed Government advances were.

"The rest have no supplies at all; this is the purport of reports from all my circles about this matter, and I fully endorse what they state.

"Very large numbers are now in possession of Government grain, and I believe that, where advances have been completed, the ryots lend grain to their less fortunate neighbours whose turn has not yet arrived, to be repaid when the latter receive their allotments.

"All fears of insufficiency of food-supplies may now be set completely at rest. It has been a race against time, and time has been beaten."

16. From Pursa Mr. Barry writes:

"I have not been able to obtain any fresh information on this head, but it is admitted on all hands that the old stocks have run very low, and that but little remains. Any food-grains that are used now are obtained either by purchase from the bazars, or by advances from the Government golas.

"But the murwa, which is ready for cutting, will replenish the petty stocks of many poor ryots; and the cheena, which is being out in the southern half of Kusmer pergunnah, will put most of the ryots there beyond the reach of want, and fully replenish their stocks."

17. I fear this cheena must have been lost.

18. *Rainfall and State of the Crops.*—The rainfall here during the fortnight has been 2.05, making a total of 23.15 inches. The rainfall in the interior of the district seems this year to have been very partial, the fall in some places being plentiful, and in others very scanty indeed. For instance, I hear that at Ramcolah, in the Musrukh thana, there have been only 16 inches registered, while at Barhogah, Chitowlee, and Dhubowlee, in Bussantpore, the rainfall since the 1st of June had, up to the third of this month, been only 14, 11½, and 10½ inches, respectively. Generally throughout the Musrukh and Sewan thanas, and in portions of the Chupra, Pursa, Bussantpore, Burrowlee, Barragaon, and Durrowlee thanas, more rain may be said to be urgently wanted. On the other hand, owing to the rise of the Ganges, extensive tracts have been inundated. Accurate information regarding the Dighwara inundation has not yet been received; but here, near Chupra, the lands of some 22 villages have been entirely submerged, and are still under water. Except where destroyed by inundation, the bhadoi crops are nearly everywhere most promising; but general transplantation of the aghahee rice is still retarded in many parts by the want of rain.

19. Of the Chupra sub-division, Major Jackson writes:—

"For the greater part of the fortnight under review, there has been a break in the rains, particularly favorable to all bhadoi crops, at one time in danger of being drowned; these are now in safety and promise extra abundance. In a very few spots, loss to the extent of 2 annas has been experienced; but these cases are exceptional. The promise of the rice crop is not, however, so bright. The sowing of the rice nurseries has been completed throughout the district, but planting out has been much retarded for want of rain; recent heavy downfalls have somewhat remedied this state of things, and planting out is now actively going on. The completion to the full extent remains yet to be seen, and is dependant on future atmospheric conditions."

20. Regarding the Manjhee sub-division, the following is Mr. Tonnérre's report:—

"Up to the 5th very little rain had fallen, and serious fears were entertained as to the fate of the aghahee rice; on the 5th however, the rains seemed to begin in real earnest: it rained nearly all day; on the 6th more rain fell, and on the 7th and 8th the rain was very heavy. It is now still raining, and there is every prospect of a steady set in of the rains."

"The crops have benefited all the more because the rain was unattended with the violent winds which prevailed of late. These winds bent down even the strong makai plants, and their continuance threatened damage. I have seen whole fields the crops of which were almost lying along the ground; and the effect of heavy rain under these circumstances would no doubt have seriously injured them. Within the last two days, they have recovered the upright position, and look very healthy and strong.

"Weeding will soon have to be resorted to, and will furnish employment to numbers who are now on relief works. In one week's time the bhadoi crops will be ripe to the extent of one anna out of the 16. Murwa, which was irrigated, is now being harvested in small quantities in all my circles. Tenguonee is also coming into ear, and in one circle four annas of it are reported to have done so.

"Dhan is being transplanted everywhere, operations having begun chiefly after the 5th.

"It is on the bhadoi that all the lower classes mostly depend; men of substance scarcely ever consume any of it, so those classes in the deepest distress will find prompt relief.

"The Chowmasah fields are being ploughed and prepared for the rubber crops.

"The indigo in my sub-division is reported to be a failure."

21. From Pura Mr. Barry gives the following account:—

"The only days on which rain did not fall during the fortnight were 26th, 29th, and 31st of July, and 4th August. On all the other days light and occasionally heavy showers fell, succeeded by sunshine. These passing showers, followed by warmth, have been most advantageous to the growing crops; but there have been more clouds than rain, and the aggregate of the rainfall for the fortnight is small, and the low lands for the aghanee rice have not yet been generally flooded. I regret that I have not a rain-gauge, and consequently am unable to give you the exact figures.

"The bhadoi crops could hardly be in better condition, and the promise of a splendid yield seems fully assured. The makai is in full flower, and the heads are beginning to appear; it will be ripe in from six to seven weeks, but will be fit for food long before that—in many places in 20 days. Weeding, hoeing, and manuring this crop, give employment to large numbers: but in not a few fields I regret to observe that the cultivators, either through laziness, apathy, or want of means, have neglected to weed and hoe their makai in time. The consequence is that the crop is stunted and yellowish, and will give a poor return. I asked one or two of these cultivators why they allowed their fields to run to grass; they replied that they had no grain (*i.e.*, had not the means to weed them). But some men seem to think that when they have thrown in the seed, they have done enough; whereas the more labor is spent in weeding, re-weeding, hoeing or ploughing and manuring the makai, the greater the yield will be.

"Most of the makai-fields are getting a second weeding, and are all the better for it.

"The amount of land under this crop is very much greater than usual, people having been induced to sow it largely, as it is very certain, easily raised, and ripens in 110 days."

"The *sauan* is a fair crop, is sown to a considerable extent (generally amongst kodo and arhur), and will be ripe in 10 days, it having been in the ear for some time. It will thus yield an early supply of food to the people, but merely a makeshift till the makai is ready.

"The early *murwa* is ripening, and will help to keep the wolf from the doors of many a poor family. This grain seems to have no particular season of its own, as within the last week I have seen a good number of patches of it being transplanted out. These bits will not be ripe till November.

"The *bhadoi* rice, the *kodo* and *arhur*, are doing well, and weeding is still going on. The rice and *kodo* are of slow growth, and will not be ready till October.

"In the southern half of pergunnah Kusmer, I found on my visit there that cheena had been sown in large quantities on the moist lands within the influence of the numerous water-courses (or *sotahs*) of that region. At the time of my visit, on the 3rd of August, I saw hundreds of people employed in cutting this cheena, which appears to have given an abundant yield, and thus relieved us of all anxiety for the people in that quarter. But in the northern half of Kusmer there is no cheena, the land being light and high and dry, above the influence of the water-courses which communicate with the Ganges, and stand back when the river is in high flood.

"The *aghani* rice-fields or 'chowr' lands have not yet been properly flooded, and the planting out has been somewhat retarded in consequence; still many of the fields have been planted out, and the chowrs are gradually being taken up, and the crop looks well as far as we have gone; but this plant delights in a foot of water in each field. The seasonable and timely rains we are now having are doing a world of good. I doubt whether much more than half of the aghanee rice has yet been planted out.

"As to *indigo*, the plant, where there was any at all, looked well enough; but the out-turn of produce is, I am everywhere told, of the most wretched description. The incessant rains of June and first ten days of July seem to have washed out the color from the plant; and I am told that few (if any) of the factories will be able to clear their outlay, and in some the loss will be very heavy.

"The *ascribi* plant is not a foot high, and anything it can yield will be insignificant. I am told that this is the worst indigo season that has ever been known."

22. Mr. Hudson, in charge of the Murukh sub-division, writing on the 8th from his head-quarters at Dhapalpoore, reports:—

"Until yesterday there has been a considerable abatement in the rainfall this fortnight, and I have heard alarm expressed for the safety of the rice crops; but yesterday a tremendous downpour commenced about 9 A.M., and the rain has continued falling with hardly any intermission until the present time. Saturday, 6 P.M. This timely assistance has doubtless averted all danger to the rice for the present. The other crops, makai, sawan, tengoonce, murwa, and kodo, could not be in a better condition. I have ridden as far Baneghat, in the north, and Tejpoore, in the south, and have had plenty of opportunity for observation; besides which I have conversed with a number of zemindars and cultivators on the state of the country. All agreed in saying that the season has been very favorable for all the crops except the winter crop of rice; but this requires more rain. The truth is that hardly a single day of the fortnight has passed without rain; but it has been a succession of passing showers, instead of a continuous downpour; and it is apparently this latter description of rainfall which is absolutely required for a full crop of winter rice. I have myself observed the aghance turning yellow in a good many places; and I have been told, in answer to enquiries, that it was owing to want of rain. For the Indian-corn and millet crops, there can be no doubt now of a full yield; but the ultimate decision between scarcity and abundance of rice depends, I presume, on the character of the weather during the ensuing month. Murwa, sawan, and tengoonce are actually ripe, and are already being plucked. I am informed that it will be all gathered in a day or two: but there are three harvests of this crop, according to the time when the grain is sown. That sown in Jeth is gathered now; that sown in the beginning of Asar will be gathered the first week in September; and that sown at the end of Asar at the close of September. Now that there has been a good fall of rain, the chief business of transplanting will commence, and will go on for twenty days. One of the planters (Mr. Cossarat of Ranipore) has expressed his opinion to me that the crops have never, within his knowledge, been in such fine condition.

"The rainfall up to date has now amounted to nearly 2 feet, being distributed as follows, since 10th June:—

June 10th to 30th	8.95
July 1st to 31st	18.40
August 1st to 8th	4.20
Total	23.55"

23. The following is Mr. Wright's report of the Sewan sub-division:—

"The weather during the first week of the fortnight was bright and sunny, but during the second week it has been cloudy, with occasional heavy showers of rain. The rainfall, as measured at Sewan during the fortnight, was 1.61 inches, but it has been heavier, I believe, in places in the interior.

"The bright hot sunny weather we had for about the last three weeks of July, was at first all that could be desired for the crops after the heavy rain we had had previously, as it enabled the ryots to clear their fields of weeds, which had begun to choke the young plant; this caused the crops to grow for a time most vigorously, but the long continuance of the dry weather was at last beginning to tell on them, and but for the timely fall of rain, which commenced on Sunday last, and has continued on almost every alternate day since, the bhadoi crop would have turned out a very poor one. The rain we have had has saved the crop, and it now looks in excellent condition."

"Murwa is ripening fast, and in some places has been cut and is being eaten by the people. Tengoonce, sawan, and bhondali paddy are also ripening. Indian-corn is in flower, and has also in places begun to bear fruit.

"The bhadoi crops are all well advanced, but the aghance dhan is backward owing to the want of heavy rain. Very little of it, and that only on the lowest lands, has been planted out as yet. Most of it is still in the nursery beds, and there it will have to remain till we get a very heavy downpour of rain to flood the fields, into which it has to be transplanted."

The following is Mr. Rattray's report under this head:—

"The rainfall has been very deficient during the past fortnight; so much so, as to cause great anxiety as regards the prospects of the crops. Within the last three days, however, there have been passing showers, and the early crops (bhadoi) have been saved. Much rain is still required for the rice crop.

"Indian-corn, murwa, and other early crops, are close upon maturity, and are in fact being gathered in some parts of the sub-division. The outturn promises a good harvest. A reasonable fall of rain within the last two or three days has saved these crops, which were in an exceedingly critical condition. The transplanting of paddy is in a backward state. Low lands have been planted out to some extent, but rain is much wanted, and the high lands are lying uncultivated. Villagers have been obliged to resort to artificial irrigation in their nurseries, a most unusual proceeding for this time of the year, to save the young paddy plant, which cannot be transplanted on the high lands for the want of sufficient rain."

24. Concerning the Hutwa sub-division, Mr. Hodgkinson writes as follows:—

"The rainfall at Hutwa during the fortnight is given below:—

26th July	...	...	...	10	7th August	...	...	...	20
30th "	...	...	...	06	8th "	...	...	...	40
31st "	...	...	...	02	9th "	...	...	...	14
3rd August	...	...	...	09					
5th "	...	...	...	164					419
6th "	...	...	...	186					

"The want of rain in the earlier part of the fortnight under review led to grave apprehension being entertained for the crops; but although more rain is much required for the rice planting, the bhadoi crops are now as a rule everything that can be desired. The general harvest has, however, been retarded a few days.

"The loss on the Gunduk dearahs has been very much less than was anticipated. The cheena crop (largely grown) had been gathered before the flood came. The greater part of the makai recovered itself, and much of that portion of the rice which was thought to have been destroyed is throwing out new shoots except in low lands, in which a crop rarely escapes destruction. The total loss is now estimated at less than two annas of the whole outturn of food-grain in this tract."

25. *Condition of the People.*—The condition of the people remains much as it was. The severity of the pressure on them in parts is indicated by the clamour of the ryots to be supplied with grain at once. At Sewan, the ryots with indents for rice, sooner than be kept waiting while the rice bags were searched for, preferred to take the coarser grain as it came to hand, in order that they might be served more quickly, notwithstanding that such grain is advanced from the Government golas at a price considerably higher than that at which it can be purchased in the markets. I have had the advantage of seeing recently the managers of Portabpore and Togapore factories, in the Sewan sub-division, and certainly their information does not coincide with Mr Wright's report as to the absence of distress in that sub-division. To show the danger of trusting to zemindars for the relief of their ryots, I may quote the following from a letter recently received from the manager of the Barhognah factory, in the Bussantpore thana. He writes:—"The assamees of a village called Suddee came to me yesterday. I had given them their malik Rs. 1,000 worth of grain some time ago, but he had put them off with promises, and now they said they were on the verge of starvation, and certainly their appearance bore out the truth of what they asserted." Happily, everywhere large grain advances to the ryots have been, and are being made, and another month should see us safely through the crisis; though with exhausted golas only being gradually replenished, the time has been an anxious one of late. It is to be feared, however, that in the inundated tracts measures of relief will have to be maintained for a longer period than was anticipated; as in Dighwara, which is not a rice-growing tract, the ryots will, it is apprehended, have no crops to carry them on till they can gather their rubbee crops. It is fortunate for them that their last rubbee harvest was an excellent one; still they are likely to need assistance before long.

26. Regarding the Manjhee sub-division, Mr. Tonnérre writes as follows under this head:—

"The more I see of the people, the more convinced I am of the danger they were in. From the village of Kulhova, in the Bugowrah circle, a number of ryots came to me for their advances, which had been retarded. They were most certainly much underfed, and the ribs of most of them could be easily counted. These men could not possibly have escaped, left to their own resources. I, of course, had their grain given to them at once, and they received it on that very day.

"In Chaiupore, I met a man in good health apparently, but quite emaciated. In reply to my questions, he said that the illness he suffered from was want of food.

"I told him to go to Ekma at once, to be entered in the list of the poor. He has been relieved.

"There is now a greater feeling of ease owing to Government advances wherever they have been received, because increased employment, the payment of which is afforded by means of Government grain, is being given by those who possess lands to the laboring classes.

"Taking the population at 16 annas, about 3 annas show unmistakable symptoms of suffering from want of a sufficient quantity of food."

27. From Pura Mr. Barry reports:—

"The condition of the people does not call for any special remark, and is, I am glad to say, apparently not any worse. The one absorbing occupation of tending and dressing his fields, takes up the whole time of the ryot, and if he does this duty properly (and the exceptions are few) he has no time for anything else.

"The ordinary ryot looks forward hopefully and cheerfully to the coming time of plenty, and with the abundant advances of Government grain, and the ripening murwa and sawan, the acute pressure of distress has either been altogether removed or will gradually become less and less.

"The crowds of ryots for advances have melted away to a few stray applicants; and as the advances have been made rapidly and systematically, it is believed that the crops have not suffered in the slightest in consequence of the absence of ryots from their fields.

"The condition of the people on the relief gangs is very much the same, and shows no improvement. I have given clothes to large numbers of the more naked among them, principally old women and children. One or two of the gangs on the Dighwara and Jelapore

road I found in very fair condition; mostly petty cultivators, or their wives and children, eking out a livelihood in this way."

28. Mr. Hudson writes:—

"Mr. Cosserat, of Rampore, thinks that the people are harder up now than they have ever been, and will stand in urgent need of assistance throughout this month and September. He tells me that he has remarked women and children in his compound engaged in gleanings scattered grains of rice on the spot where the grain has been distributed from his gola. I had myself remarked this at Balah factory, when I was there before the rains commenced, and alluded to it in a former report. It must undoubtedly be accepted as a sign of suffering in the very poorest class. But I do not lay so much stress upon it myself, for the register of gratuitous relief is freely open to all, and Mr. Cosserat is indefatigable in the discharge of his relief duties."

29. The following is the report of the Sewan Sub-Divisional Officer:—

"The condition of the people continues good, and with the prospects of an excellent bhadai harvest before them, also with a supply of grain (received from the Government stores) in hand sufficient to meet all their present wants, they are, on the whole, in a cheerful state. Charitable relief is given to the poor who are unable to work, at the several relief centres in the division; and for those who are able and willing to work, employment is provided on the relief works, which are still being carried on, if they cannot find work elsewhere."

Under this head Mr. Rattray reports as follows:—

"The condition of the people has not changed in any marked degree since my last report. Everything at present depends upon the abundance or scarcity of rain. The Government advances of grain have been given out throughout the sub-division, and with the relief-works in hand, combine to keep the mass of the people well supplied. Distress of a serious nature is not reported from any of the relief circles. Every endeavour is being made in the different relief circles to reach those requiring gratuitous relief, and such relief is now extensively given."

30. *Known Cases of Misery and Starvation.*—There have been no reports of deaths by starvation, of which official confirmation has been obtained.

31. *Grain-thefts or Robberies.*—There have been 15 cases of grain-theft during the fortnight. The accompanying comparative statement shows the number of cases involving an element of theft, committed during the month of July 1872, 1873, and 1874, respectively, as required by Government Circular No. 4081, of the 20th December last.

B.—RELIEF WORKS.

32. The annexed statements* show the relief works in progress and the number employed thereon. The mean daily number employed during the fortnight was 94,089, and the number on the last day was 76,296. The mean daily numbers both of the previous and of this fortnight, and the number on the last day of this fortnight, are shown below for each sub-division:—

Sub-Divisions.	Monthly number of the previous fortnight.	MEAN DAILY NUMBER OF THE PRESENT FORTNIGHT.				Number of persons employed on the last of the 14 days.	REMARKS.
		On piece-work.	On subsistence wages.	On charitable relief.	Total.		
1. Chupra ..	24,048	723	21,365	6,963	28,451	33,932	
2. Manjhee ..	14,101	667	9,925	10,294	20,886	18,236	
3. Manjhee ..	62,068	5,136	24,040	11,112	40,288	48,697	
4. Purnea ..	7,956	612	5,363	.....	5,975	6,467	
5. Bhojan ..	17,605	7,176	1,567	.....	8,743	7,534	
6. Bhojan ..	2,567	.....	.....	.....	1,976	1,976	
Total ..	108,373	12,208	61,898	17,967	94,089	76,296	

33. The ordinary rate paid for piece-work in this district is Rs. 1-9-0 per 1,000 cubic feet; but as a matter of fact, from the difficulty of introducing piece-work everywhere, the majority of those on the relief works are still paid by daily wages at mere subsistence rates, so that it cannot be said that the continuance of the relief works interferes with the demand for field-labor in any way.

34. Regarding the Chupra sub-division Major Jackson writes:—

"Relief works still go on, but to a reduced extent. All able-bodied work-people have been returned to agricultural labor."

35. Of the Manjhee sub-division, Mr. Tonnerre writes thus:—

"I believe that the able-bodied have left the relief work for agricultural work, and the numbers on relief works ought to diminish still more, owing to the preparation of rubbae lands, which is being much favored by the rains, which have now commenced."

"In Ramgurih circle, there are very few indeed still on the relief works."

"Six Goruckpooree pice are paid together with 'lookum,' which is a quantity of *anthur*, or some other grain ground down equivalent to the value of another pice, for a day's weeding. This shows what inducements are held out to people to abandon relief work where they get but the bare necessities of life.

"In the case mentioned in the last report, where insufficiency of labor was complained of, the Circle Officer took the requisite number of men from the nearest relief work and remedied the evil at once.

"No such complaints have been made to me during the fortnight under review."

36. Mr. Barry, in charge of the Pursa sub-division, reports:—

"During the 14 days I have been over—

The Makair and Sitalpore road;

The Sitalpore and Dighwara road;

The Dighwara and Dalipchak Ghaut road;

The Sitalpore and Sonopore road;

The Dighwara and Jelalpore road;

The Tehtee, Arna, and Sootihar road;

The Pursa and Darway road; and

The Tehtee, Jelalpore, and Pursa road.

On all these roads I am glad to say piece-work has been freely taken up, except on the piece from Pursa to Makair (which is not adapted to piece-work), and on the Sitalpore and Sonopore road. I am of opinion that on this latter road, for the earth-work at least, piece-work should be gradually and gently, but firmly, introduced. The weak and infirm can be employed on daily wages in turling the road.

"I do not consider it would be safe to close any of these relief works, for though some one or two of the gangs look robust and healthy, yet most of the gangs consist only of the poorest of the poor in wretched plight; and to close them indiscriminately would cause the greatest hardship.

"I have no doubt that some of the coolies work a little in their own or other fields in the morning before going on the relief works, but as the subsistence wages are a mere pittance, I would let this pass. I am satisfied that many poor ryots, while working hard in their own fields, send their wives and children on the Government roads to earn the daily meal for the family, and thus, while the husband is working hard, but earning nothing (*i.e.*, no immediate return) in his own fields, the wife and children become the bread winners, and earn sufficient for the evil day that is passing over them."

37. From Hutwah, Mr. Hodgkinson writes:—

"Except in the north-western tuppas, the number on relief works is quite nominal, ample employment being still found for the people in the fields. An increase in the number may be expected next fortnight."

38. *State Emigration to British Burmah.*—There are 25 emigrants in the dépôt here, awaiting transmission to Calcutta.

D.—STORAGE OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN.

39. The usual statement accompanies. The fresh supplies of grain are now coming in in increased quantities, and are pushed forward rapidly to the different golas, which they generally manage to reach just when the golas are on the point of exhaustion. The grain, in fact, is being received only just in time, and I have written to have the daily despatches from Calcutta increased to six or seven thousand maunds, if possible.

40. Under the head of Transport and Storage of Grain, Major Jackson reports:

"Reports have been called for and received from the Group Superintendents as to the import of grain into the district. With the exception of small quantities going to the village bazars periodically, all report no importation into the district along the main channels of communication. If going on at all, it is probably by river carriage outside of the sudder sub-division. In accordance with the orders of Government, I have looked into the state of storage of grain at the central dépôt at Chupra Serai. Old stocks have been issued, and only about 1,500 bags remain of new. These are stored in pucca built rooms with intervals between the bags for ventilation. As issues go on daily, there is no fear of loss from heating, or insects."

41. Mr. Tonnérre writes thus under this head regarding Manjhee:—

"Owing to the grain received during the fortnight, the distribution has everywhere been rapidly carried out.

"Ten thousand maunds have arrived at Ramgurh by boats, and will in three or four days have been all distributed.

"Five thousand five hundred and seventy maunds have arrived at Ekma. The other golas at Manjhee and Bupowrah have also received supplies, and I hope that all this grain will soon have been disposed of.

"With reference to the heating of bags containing Burmah rice, I have to state that no such cases have come to my notice. The rice is given out as fast as it comes in, and has no time to spoil. A few bags of wheat were found to have been so damaged on arrival. They had been vetted on the way from Chupra and so were damaged. The heat was so great that it was not possible to keep one's hand inside the bag.

"With the exception of the above, there have been no cases of grain spoiling through being heated."

42. Concerning the Pura sub-division, Mr. Barry reports:—

"The heavy drafts made on the Pura and Amnour golas cleared them out early in the fortnight, and now the Mirzapore gola is again in nearly the same condition. The grain turned out of good quality, not in any way heated or injured by damp; the ventilation is good, being secured by holes in the walls; the rice has not suffered from insects, and any mixed grain that suffered in this way has been disposed of long ago; in short, the golas are all but empty. During the fortnight I have inspected all the golas but Amnour, which is empty. Within the last day or two, grain has begun to arrive in small quantities."

43. Mr. Hudson, of the Musrukh sub-division, writes:

"The golas, which have been all closed during the past fortnight against tuccewae advances, are now reopened, supplies having been everywhere received. There were 1,900 maunds of grain in the Baneapore gola on the 5th, and 4,500 maunds in the Bussuntore gola on the same date. The latter gola has received 9,041 bags of rice from Tilpahghât, Sutturghât, and Gobindgunge, since the 3rd instant, and on Saturday, 8th, it contained 16,436 maunds of grain."

44. From Sewan, Mr. Wright reports:—

"There is very little rice left in the golas in this sub-division, and there is no fear of its getting seriously damaged, as it will be used up in a very few days."

E.—ADVANCES OF GOVERNMENT GRAIN.

45. The statement accompanying exhibits the advances of grain made up to date. These advances have, in many places, been delayed by the want of grain, and the urgency of the need is shown by the rapid manner in which the grain is cleared away as it arrives at the golas. The manager of the Chetowlee factory in Bussuntore writes of "the rush there is now" (on the arrival of fresh grain at one of the golas): "chota maliks, putwarees, and seamess form one huge noisy crowd, all clamouring to be served first."

46. Under this head, the following is the Chupra report submitted by Major Jackson:—

"The advances in this sub-division are gradually coming to an end. In the portion I have retained in my own hands, 53 villages remain on the roll as not disposed of, but of these the lists and requirements of 42 are ready. The villagers, however, do not now come forward as they did in the beginning of the season, only one or two putting in an appearance every other day, and it will most likely be found that only about 10 more villages will now ask for assistance. These will complete the advances in the Chupra circle. Arwa and Gurkha have a balance remaining, but probably for the same reason, viz., the prospects of a favorable harvest, most of these will not apply."

47. This favorable prospect has, as already noticed, been effected as regards part of the sub-division by the recent inundation.

48. Of the Manjhee sub-division, Mr. Tonnérre writes:—

"The sum total of the grain required for this sub-division has reached the figure of 66,683 maunds, and it may be necessary to increase it, because villages which at first preferred trusting to their maliks, now wish to have advances from Government, because the zemindars do not adhere to the promises made by them.

"There were several absurd rumours floating about concerning the distribution of grain; zemindars feared a change in the permanent settlement, ryots apprehended that their lands would be given up to indigo, where the Circle Officer was a planter, or appropriated altogether, where a zemindar was the Circle Officer.

"I have known of villagers applying for advances only when assured that their lands were safe, though they were in need of them.

"Excluding those villages in which the maliks supply what the ryots require, there are in this sub-division but five villages in the Bugowrah circle which have not as yet received grain orders on the golas. All the rest are rapidly drawing their respective allotments. 41,008 maunds, Bugowrah circle excepted, have been given out in advances up to the present time. I am constructing sheds to allow of weighing going on when it rains.

"The list of zemindars who have given security for their ryots has increased during the fortnight, several at a distance sending their mukhtars with powers-of-attorney to sign for them.

"On the strength of the above, I have reduced the rates at which grain is being given out to ryots.

"This measure is most acceptable both to zemindars and ryots: to the former, inasmuch as they know that their lands will be thoroughly brought under cultivation; and to the latter, because their means of doing so are increased.

"There is no difficulty about giving grain where rice was applied for by the ryots; they take whatever comes to hand first and, in the eagerness to be helped; the highest bidder in many cases receives his grain first.

"I have every reason to believe that goldadars have taken advantage, of their position to extort black-mail.

"Two goldadars have been dismissed, and I hope that such practices have been stopped.

"The repayment in three instalments has been promulgated throughout the subdivision, and is very much approved of by the ryots. They agree that it would have been impossible for them to pay all at once, and I have no doubt that they will repay the value of what they have received.

"To ensure this, I have as much as possible put a village and all its tolahs together. I have by these means reduced the number of villages, but increased the value of the collective security. In the Purna circle, for example, properly speaking, there are 80 villages and tolahs, but having tacked on the tolahs to their villages, I have reduced the number to 65.

"The ryots seemed to think at first that Government wanted to repay itself out of their crops, and I had received petitions wishing to know how the murwa, which was ready to be cut, was to be disposed of. Instructions were at once given to Group Superintendents to let ryots know that the Government had no wish to appropriate their crops, but wished to be repaid in cash."

49. From Purna Mr. Barry reports:—

"Owing to the want of grain in the golas, this work has been brought to a standstill during this fortnight; and except the testing and investigation of a few remaining lists, little has been done. The ryots finding the grain was exhausted, have held aloof; but as soon as the expected grain arrives, they will come in shoals again, for those whose grain cheques are 'unpaid' are all on the out-look.

"I have been on tour during the best part of the fortnight, but have received few applications for advances; and the Relief Superintendent, Mustausin Billah, whom I left in charge here with authority to take petitions, only received about 40 fresh applications, from which I infer that few more applications will be made. Most of those who want grain have applied for it, and it only remains for us to dispose of those applications which are still pending or undergoing enquiry. And it is not improbable that we shall find that villages in which lists have not yet been prepared, or in which the ryots themselves have not come forward for grain, will not, at this advanced season of the year, require or ask for assistance from the Government stores. Of late no less than 23 villages have been reported by Group Superintendents, in which the ryots say they do not require Government advances, or in which zemindars have given advances to their ryots.

"During the fortnight I have visited all the circles. The moonsif has all but completed his lists, having advanced 4,228 maunds in 43 villages, leaving 12 for disposal.

"Sheikh Abdul Ali, of Sitalpore, has 31 villages left; most of his lists have come in, and it is probable that many of these villages do not require grain; he has advanced 3,620 maunds in 54 villages.

"The English Circle Officers of Nowadah, Arna, Tehtee, and Jelalpore, have finished their lists, and are now giving out the last instalments of grain. The returns from Arna have not yet come in. As for my own circle, I have, during the fortnight, advanced 1,588 maunds in 30 villages, leaving 20 villages in which applications have not been made, or whose lists are undergoing investigation. From the above, it will be seen that the brunt of the work is over, and it only remains to finish up those villages which have been from any cause omitted, and to complete the remaining instalments.

"In all 62,620 maunds to 30,873 persons in 444 villages, have been advanced, and under heading D, Charitable Relief, 123 maunds and 30 seers have been given away. But all this larger quantity has not yet been drawn from the golas, as I have no less than 100 cases in which the ryots have not yet come for their cheques, though notices have been issued to them. This is in great measure owing to the fact that the golas ran short of grain about 10 days ago, and it may be that, from prudential motives, many cultivators are unwilling to draw the Government grain, except in the very last resort, when they can hold out no longer. If they do not need the grain sanctioned, all the better; but if the worst come to the worst, they know they are safe with the allotment in their favor.

"I have, however, again issued notices to all concerned to take away their allotments within 10 days, as the grain is now beginning to arrive. In South Kumer, I considered it would be unnecessary to make any advances; but since writing the above, I have heard (and to-day the news has been fully confirmed by Sheikh Abdul Ali in person) that during the last four days the whole of this region has been submerged by floods, and the damage done to the chenna and makai, &c., is very serious. I shall visit the flooded tract at once, and report separately. It will probably be necessary to give the ryots some assistance."

50. Mr. Hudson, in charge of Musruk, writes:—

"Applications for advances have latterly become very slack. They do not now average more than three or four, at most, per diem, exclusive of individual petitions under clause (d) of the Central Relief Committee's notification. I have now only 17 applications pending; and of these seven have been lying for weeks, waiting for the applicants to appear. I looked forward with some confidence to completing my own advances within the next fortnight."

51. Mr. Rattray's report from Sewan is as follows:—

"With the exception of about 59 villages, the village lists for grain advances have been completed. The following are the allotments made up to date in the different circles mentioned:—

No.	Circles.	Number of villages.	Quantity of grain allotted.		
			Mds.	Srs.	Chs.
1-3.	Saddowah and Shahpore ...	100	15,168	1	0
3-4.	Jogspore and Chowki ...	78	9,494	25	0
5.	Maharajgrange ...	30	2,396	0	0
6.	Madrowli ...	41	7,562	7	8
7.	Bhuger ...	57	6,522	0	0
8.	Trihalpore ...	46	7,304	10	0
10.	Goyaspore ...	36	1,188	0	0
11.	Sohagrah ...	55	5,935	29	0
12.	Mairwa ...	20	2,016	10	0
13.	Kurbullah ...	94	3,338	24	0
14.	Marjha ...	67	9,823	15	0
15.	Bansopali ...	81	5,282	13	0
16.	Hajipurwah ...	44	3,500	0	0
17.	Gaighat ...	42	4,307	24	0
18.	Zamanpore ...	81	8,660	20	0
19.	Dhanowtee ...	68	4,744	30	0
20.	Goonawan ...	58	5,451	12	0
21.	Sewan ...	57	1,901	20	0
23.	Pertalpore ...	54	8,611	10	0
		53	7,640	30	0
Total number of villages in which the lists have been prepared		1,183	1,22,379	0	8

"As mentioned before, there remain about 59 villages in which the lists are under preparation, and for which the allotment of rice will be about 12,000 maunds. The actual quantity of rice in the hands of the people received as advances from the Government, amounts to 97,052 maunds 11 seers and 9 chittacks, and includes advances made in separate bonds to landholders, independent of the village allotments.

"I am unable to submit with this report the return called for in the Government Circular of the 22nd July, No. 4640—S.R., owing to the want of certain information which has been called for from the different circles."

52. Concerning the Hutwah sub-division, Mr. Hodgkinson writes:—

"The second instalment of advances has been given out in nearly every village that requires it. The total amount distributed under this head is 96,474 maunds 9 seers and 1 chittack."

F.—CHARITABLE RELIEF.

53. The number receiving this description of relief is shown in the annexed statement. The total number is now 60,231, the increase being mainly in Musrukh; but much of it is believed to be nominal, and due to defective returns having previously been supplied.

54. Under this head, Major Jackson reports:—

"The poor-house in Chupra remains the same. It is not popular, and even the bazar beggars, who might be thought glad to take cooked food, prefer to obtain pice in the bazars, and will not frequent it. Cotton-spinning continues to employ large numbers. The weavers objected to half anna per yard as too small an allowance, and the rate has now been increased to 7½ pie, at which rate the surplus thread will be converted into cloth."

55. As those requiring relief are relieved in their own villages, there is no need to resort to the poor-house, and most natives have a strong prejudice against relief in this form."

56. Of Monghyr, Mr. Tonnérre writes:—

"There are now 3,503 persons receiving gratuitous relief in grain, and 1,017 women who spin cotton. I have also had the thread converted into cloth, which is being given out to those who need it. Weaving has afforded employment to 'jolahas' numbering 136.

"The recent orders of Government to diminish the numbers on charitable relief will be borne in mind, but none are relieved unless in absolute want; so reductions are not yet practicable.

"The native doctor whom I sent on tour reports distress in the Chainpore and Ramgurih circles; he will soon visit the other circle.

"According to the recent instructions, one pice is given daily to all recipients of charitable relief in addition to the grain to enable them to buy firewood, salt, and other commodities.

57. From Purnea Mr. Barry reports:—

"During the fortnight everything has gone on satisfactorily.

"There are altogether 7,237 persons on the registers, and 3,485 women and 171 jolahas have received assistance; while money has been given to 177 and grain to 3,404 persons. I have again directed the Circle Officer at Kusmer to distribute grain instead of money, and have supplied him with cheques for grain.

"The Circle Officer at Annour seems to be doing good, having distributed grain to 73 persons. I have myself given away 123 maunds and 30 seers under heading D as charitable advances to about 90 persons, and during the fortnight I distributed clothes to 57 poor women and children, mostly working on the roads.

"Mr. Tyllock, of Nowadah, is using up the grain he bought for Government in distributing charitable relief, and also in making advances to ryots. It was getting slightly damaged by insects, but I am glad to say very little of it is left.

"All the Circle Officers understand their duties thoroughly, and take pains to watch that no one gets relief who is not really in distress, or who is able to earn a livelihood.

"I have distributed an aggregate of Rs. 2,400 to the various Circle Officers according to their requirements."

58. And the following information is supplied by Mr. Hodgkinson in connection with the Hutwa sub-division:—

"The accounts and estimates prescribed are herewith forwarded. The average daily number in receipt of charitable relief of all kinds during the fortnight has been—

Serial No.	Name of Circle	Average number receiving cooked food.	Number receiving uncooked food.	Number receiving food in payment of wages for cotton-spinning relief.	Number specially relieved by village officers under (D).	Total.
1	Hutwah	51	1,172	256	...	1,440
2	Breepore	36	940	102	...	1,133
3	Munirah	153	74	...	200	628
4	Kahala	61	25	...	...	57
5	Jundapore	100	59	70	...	189
6	Chakkis	40	...	...	...	60
7	Bhoney	...	...	...	...	...
8	Dhobow	...	...	...	...	...
9	Marur	...	...	...	...	...
10	Kaliya	214	1,287	308	136	1,919
11	Chomachah	...	...	...	...	...
12	Dhauagaree	24	143	...	...	168
13	Sonowhila	30	226	...	...	256
14	Gosakurure	...	30	...	...	30
15	Umbicapore	...	277	...	...	277
Total		731	4,207	668	536	6,109

G.—FINANCIAL RESULTS OF THE FORTNIGHT.

59. The financial results of relief operations are given below—

	Total of each head.		Grand Total.	
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Total expenditure as previously shown				
1. Amount advanced for cart hire, &c., for conveyance of Government grain to different places of storage in the interior of the district, viz—			24,15,280	6 84
To Nasir of the Sarun Collectorate	5,084	7 0		
" Manager of Arwa Factory	300	0 0		
" Ditto of Burrowlee ditto	4,440	0 0		
" Ditto of Sadowah ditto	2,990	0 0		
" Ditto of Harpore ditto	5,000	0 0		
" Ditto of Arwa ditto	500	0 0		
" Ditto of Nowada ditto	150	0 0		
	35,084	7 0		
2. Amount advanced to Collectorate Nasir for purchase of mats to protect grain from the rains	100	0 0		
3. Ditto ditto on account of price of bullocks died en route to Durbhunga	550	0 0		
4. Ditto ditto on account of weightment expenses for grain purchased from Choonsal Murwari	100	0 0		
5. Ditto ditto to Moulvie Sadiq Ahmad, Tehsildar, for sending canoes to Monghyr	1,000	0 0		
6. Ditto ditto to Mahomed Waseer Ali Khan, Assistant Surgeon, for constructing a shed at Bussaintpore	60	0 0		
7. Extra allowance paid to Chiranjee Lal Moonshie in charge of the canoes received from the Oudh Forest	11	6 4		
		11	6 4	
<i>Establishment.</i>				
8. Travelling allowance of the establishment under Mr. W. Barry, on special duty at Purnea, for June 1874	8	8 0		
9. Salary of Girdharoo Lall, hospital assistant, and of a compounder attached to the Ekma relief sub-division for May 1874	26	2 8		
10. Salary of Mr. W. Barry, on special duty at Purnea, for July 1874	1,069	10 8		
11. Ditto of Debi Lal Towary for ditto	30	0 0		
12. Travelling allowance of the establishment under Mr. W. Barry on special duty at Ekma, for June 1874	6	12 0		
13. Salary of Mr. G. Grant, on special duty, and of his establishment for July 1874	348	0 0		
14. Salary of the establishment under Mr. G. Grant, on special duty, for Gopalspore relief circle for July 1874	83	0 0		
15. Ditto of Mahomed Sadiq Ahmad, Tehsildar, and of his establishment, for July 1874	325	0 0		
16. Ditto of relief superintendents for ditto	155	0 0		
17. Ditto of Mr. W. Hudson, on special duty at Mushruck, for ditto	1,037	0 2		
18. Ditto of the district grain officer's establishment for ditto	178	12 4		
19. Ditto of relief establishment attached to Mushruck relief sub-division for ditto	1,823	0 9		
20. Ditto of Major W. Jackson, on special duty at Chaprai, for ditto	802	12 0		
21. Ditto of his establishment for ditto	527	11 4		
22. Ditto of Mofussil establishments in different golas under the district grain officer for June 1874	430	4 6		
23. Ditto of establishment under Mr. A. Hatray on special duty at Sowan, for June 1874	82	13 0		
24. Travelling allowance of his establishment for May 1874	8	3 6		
25. Ditto of his own for July 1874	20	0 0		
26. Salary of the establishment in the transport service for July 1874	88	10 9		
27. Ditto of Waseer Ali Khan, assistant surgeon, and his establishment, for June 1874	24	10 9		
28. Ditto ditto for July 1874	220	0 0		
29. Contingent charges of ditto ditto for ditto	20	0 9		
30. Salary of Pandit Belseperahad, district grain officer of Sarun, for July 1874	250	0 0		
31. Contingent bill of the Deputy Surgeon General, Daraspore circle, on account of indigenous drugs for June 1874	1	11 3	7,877	5 5
32. The following is the expenditure incurred by the Sub-divisional Officer of Sowan, viz—				
Salary of Mr. Hatray for July 1874	600	0 0		
Ditto of the relief establishment for ditto	2,003	5 0		
Contingent charges of relief establishment for ditto	68	8 0		
Salary of the Moonshie in charge of the Sowan tank for ditto	16	0 0		
Advanced for purchase of bricks, &c., for tank No. 2	234	10 7	2,919	7 7
			48,002	10 4
Grand Total			24,63,283	1 04

Statement showing the kind and price of Grain, selling at the principal Markets and at different Thanas and Outposts of the District of Sarun for the Fortnight ending the 8th August 1874.

No.	NAMES OF PRINCIPAL MARKETS.	Uncleaned rice, per rupee.	Indian-corn, per rupee.	Barley, per rupee.	Wheat, per rupee.	Gram, per rupee.
1	1. Chupra	13½	18	20	15	18½
2	Revelgunge	13½	18	20½	17	19½
3	Goldengunge	12½	16	21	15½	19½
4	Corkha	13	18	19	16	18
5	Manik	12½	16	Return not yet received.		
6	Ekna	11	17	22	16	19
7	Rusaunpore	11½	17	21	15½	18
8	Maheswargunge	13½	17	19	16	18
9	Mushrak	12	15	20	16	18
10	Rusaunpore	11	15	18	16	18
11	Maheswargunge	12	15	20	16	18
12	5. Purua	11	15	20	16	18
13	Amour	11	15	20	16	18
14	Misapore	11	15	20	16	18
15	Dighwara	11	15	20	16	18
16	Benapore	11	15	20	16	18
17	7. Sowan	10½	14	17	15	17
18	Burhutra	12	14½	19	14½	18
19	Benaria	10½	14	18	14	17
20	8. Durrachal	10½	14	19	14½	18
21	Gosha	11½	15	19	15	18
22	Benman	12½	16	19	15½	18½
23	Rudhansathpore	11½	15	17	14	17
24	Mairwa	19	16	18	15	18
25	9. Durrachal	10½	14	18	14½	17
26	Katwa	13½	17	19	15½	18½
27	Mooney	12	15	Return not yet received.		
28	Mooney	12	15	17	14	17
29	10. Durrachal	11	14	17	14	16
30	Gopalgunge	11	14	Return not yet received.		

Statement showing the true number of cases of Dacoity, Robbery, Theft and House-breaking occurred in Sarun District during the month of July 1872, 1873 and 1874.

DACOITY—

Headings 30 and 31 of Crime Return, A1	Month of July 1874	...	0
	Corresponding month of July 1873	...	0
	Ditto ditto 1872	...	0

ROBBERY—

Headings 32 and 33 of Crime Return, A1	Month of July 1874	...	0
	Corresponding month of July 1873	...	0
	Ditto ditto 1872	...	2

THEFT—

Heading 43 of Crime Return, A1, excluding cattle theft	Month of July 1874	...	43
	Corresponding month of July 1873	...	31
	Ditto ditto 1872	...	68

HOUSE-BREAKING—

Heading 35 of Crime Return, A1	Month of July 1874	...	234
	Corresponding month of July 1873	...	289
	Ditto ditto 1872	...	219
Total of all four crimes	Month of July 1874	...	277
	Corresponding month of July 1873	...	330
	Ditto ditto 1872	...	279

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CALCUTTA GAZETTE, AUGUST 26, 1874. 2835

Statement showing the Storage and Consumption of Government Grain in the Saran District for the Fortnight ending 8th August 1874.

NAMES OF THANAS.	Number and name of store-houses in each thana.	Total quantity of Government grain stored up to date.	Total quantity of grain stored up to date, exclusive of Government grain.	TOTAL QUANTITY OF GRAIN CONSUMED UP TO DATE.						Total.
				By sale to the public or to the Government.	By private sale.	By advance to the public.	By advance to the Government.	By requisition to the public.	By requisition to the Government.	
		Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	
Chupra	1. Chupra	21,225 0 0	22,256 30 0	2,480 24 1	80 38 8	8,121 0 0	7,822 50 12	18,715 9 8		
	2. Baidighunge	52,152 8 0	7,554 38 12		112 0 0	1,030 13 0	375 0 0	4,553 13 0		
	3. Garbha	18,978 0 0	8,155 0 0	1,514 31 8	55 0 0	1,096 28 0		7,290 22 0		
	4. Arwa	10,000 0 0								
	Total	1,01,756 0 0	37,850 20 12	3,995 18 12	167 38 8	10,247 1 0	8,197 50 12	30,558 6 0		
Munhee	1. Manjee	30,990 0 0	28,001 30 0	1,690 7 0	617 4 12	10,500 17 4	4,114 26 8	22,324 9 8		
	2. Ekma	20,000 0 0	10,015 30 0	2,630 27 0	251 6 6	12,457 5 8		17,310 14 11		
	3. Rangbar	10,000 0 0								
	Total	60,000 0 0	48,017 30 8	3,020 34 6	75 11 2	22,957 17 0	6,036 1 0	39,634 24 8		
Dighwara	1. Dighwara	10,000 0 0	9,800 7 12	744 8 2	750 0 0	2,731 28 15	3,747 34 0	7,953 26 0		
	2. Bouspara, H.	10,100 0 0	10,100 00 0	7,018 32 0				7,018 32 0		
	Total	20,100 0 0	20,001 6 12	8,302 38 2	750 0 0	2,731 28 15	3,747 34 0	15,571 21 0		
Parna	1. Parna	48,700 0 0	31,208 29 4	1,301 0 0	215 11 0	21,075 35 0	1,026 8 3	27,909 14 3		
	2. Amour	20,000 0 0	10,124 0 0	8 5 0	152 0 0	8 5 2 11 0	819 0 0	10,028 22 18		
	3. Mirzapore	20,000 0 0	24,630 0 0	1,420 31 4	210 0 0	23,790 11 0	1,029 0 0	26,021 8 2		
	4. Bankerwa, H.	10,000 0 0	9,299 23 15	1,346 33 14				1,346 33 14		
	Total	98,000 0 0	85,672 15 3	4,743 27 2	577 11 0	45,173 20 1	2,075 8 3	65,355 50 1		
Madrakh	1. Madrakh	67,000 0 0	73,465 9 11	8,150 33 8	649 0 12	44,271 23 11	5,181 26 0	53,234 12 15		
	2. Bouspara	20,000 0 0	12,228 0 0	3,124 3 0	42 0 0	3,002 0 1	3,119 10 0	11,267 10 12		
	3. Bouspara	20,000 0 0	15,032 8 10	4,231 0 4	73 4 8	3,230 32 10	6,658 28 12	16,059 30 3		
	4. Moharane	30,000 0 0	20,000 12 1	2,124 24 0	25 0 0	14,501 8 1	2,003 35 0	18,133 36 0		
	5. Rampore	20,000 0 0	2,568 0 0							
	Total	1,57,000 0 0	1,23,053 31 0	11,217 21 12	799 25 4	65,000 31 1	17,985 17 12	96,365 13 15		
Bouspara	1. Bouspara	70,000 0 0	50,083 33 3	2,070 29 6	100 0 0	7,012 17 8	18,238 0 4	50,441 12 12		
	2. Bouspara	40,000 0 0	20,000 20 12	5,119 0 0		8,251 18 3	3,221 20 4	10,000 7 8		
	3. Bouspara	24,400 0 0	13,818 32 0	4,231 1 1		7,232 0 0	3,010 0 0	9,116 0 0		
	4. Bouspara	10,000 0 0	20,000 0 0			10,077 28 4	3,25 4 15	20,002 33 3		
	5. Bouspara	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	3,312 22 0				5,554 37 1		
Bouspara	6. Bouspara	17,000 0 0	6,170 25 15	40 38 0				5,744 32 2		
	7. Bouspara	15,400 0 0	13,328 0 0		322 28 6	5,551 0 1		7,019 14 0		
	Total	1,99,000 0 0	1,43,851 19 3	10,107 10 10	657 28 6	32,070 11 4	30,200 12 11	1,21,990 22 15		
Bouspara	1. Bouspara	70,000 0 0	30,854 30 0	2,000 0 0	270 0 0	38,052 30 10	13,038 6 14	51,370 3 8		
	2. Bouspara	20,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	225 0 0	55 0 0	8,328 7 4	515 0 0	9,843 7 4		
	3. Bouspara	10,000 0 0	10,288 0 0	112 2 8		0,554 15 0		9,806 17 8		
	Total	100,000 0 0	51,142 30 0	3,337 2 8	325 0 0	56,745 13 14	4,253 6 14	71,020 28 4		
Bouspara	1. Bouspara	30,000 0 0	17,000 33 10	440 0 0	90 0 0	11,732 37 1	3,508 0 0	13,570 37 12		
	2. Bouspara	5,000 0 0	4,000 0 0	200 0 0	34 0 0	2,737 6 1	800 0 0	4,012 6 12		
	3. Bouspara	5,000 0 0	7,000 0 0	95 0 0	30 0 0	3,507 8 1	1,000 0 0	5,298 8 12		
	4. Bouspara	4,000 0 0	4,000 20 1	80 0 0	10 0 0	2,004 2 6	1,135 0 0	3,839 2 6		
	5. Bouspara	5,000 0 0	5,000 0 0	250 7 0	20 0 0	2,789 0 0	720 0 0	3,769 7 0		
	Total	59,000 0 0	43,000 3 2	1,035 7 0	208 0 0	21,240 15 8	7,969 0 0	33,379 22 8		
Bouspara	1. Bouspara	45,000 0 0	17,000 0 0	608 0 0	80 0 0	14,021 14 8	182 0 0	14,801 14 9		
	2. Bouspara	20,000 0 0	7,000 0 0	134 0 0	30 0 0	4,435 35 10	574 0 0	5,093 35 10		
	3. Bouspara	10,000 0 0								
	Total	75,000 0 0	24,000 0 0	742 0 0	110 0 0	18,457 13 8	756 0 0	20,000 13 8		
	Grand Total	8,30,000 0 0	6,11,845 9 7	75,730 2 4	4,832 32 4	3,24,831 7 0	1,06,963 27 0	5,79,007 36 15		

*Estimated grain receipt of the ensuing fortnight.—One lakh of maunds.**

Estimated grain expenditure of the ensuing fortnight.—One lakh of maunds.

Note.—E means enhancement.

No.	Particulars	1912	1913	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	2046	2047	2048	2049	2050	2051	2052	2053	2054	2055	2056	2057	2058	2059	2060	2061	2062	2063	2064	2065	2066	2067	2068	2069	2070	2071	2072	2073	2074	2075	2076	2077	2078	2079	2080	2081	2082	2083	2084	2085	2086	2087	2088	2089	2090	2091	2092	2093	2094	2095	2096	2097	2098	2099	2100	2101	2102	2103	2104	2105	2106	2107	2108	2109	2110	2111	2112	2113	2114	2115	2116	2117	2118	2119	2120	2121	2122	2123	2124	2125	2126	2127	2128	2129	2130	2131	2132	2133	2134	2135	2136	2137	2138	2139	2140	2141	2142	2143	2144	2145	2146	2147	2148	2149	2150	2151	2152	2153	2154	2155	2156	2157	2158	2159	2160	2161	2162	2163	2164	2165	2166	2167	2168	2169	2170	2171	2172	2173	2174	2175	2176	2177	2178	2179	2180	2181	2182	2183	2184	2185	2186	2187	2188	2189	2190	2191	2192	2193	2194	2195	2196	2197	2198	2199	2200	2201	2202	2203	2204	2205	2206	2207	2208	2209	2210	2211	2212	2213	2214	2215	2216	2217	2218	2219	2220	2221	2222	2223	2224	2225	2226	2227	2228	2229	2230	2231	2232	2233	2234	2235	2236	2237	2238	2239	2240	2241	2242	2243	2244	2245	2246	2247	2248	2249	2250	2251	2252	2253	2254	2255	2256	2257	2258	2259	2260	2261	2262	2263	2264	2265	2266	2267	2268	2269	2270	2271	2272	2273	2274	2275	2276	2277	2278	2279	2280	2281	2282	2283	2284	2285	2286	2287	2288	2289	2290	2291	2292	2293	2294	2295	2296	2297	2298	2299	2300	2301	2302	2303	2304	2305	2306	2307	2308	2309	2310	2311	2312	2313	2314	2315	2316	2317	2318	2319	2320	2321	2322	2323	2324	2325	2326	2327	2328	2329	2330	2331	2332	2333	2334	2335	2336	2337	2338	2339	2340	2341	2342	2343	2344	2345	2346	2347	2348	2349	2350	2351	2352	2353	2354	2355	2356	2357	2358	2359	2360	2361	2362	2363	2364	2365	2366	2367	2368	2369	2370	2371	2372	2373	2374	2375	2376	2377	2378	2379	2380	2381	2382	2383	2384	2385	2386	2387	2388	2389	2390	2391	2392	2393	2394	2395	2396	2397	2398	2399	2400	2401	2402	2403	2404	2405	2406	2407	2408	2409	2410	2411	2412	2413	2414	2415	2416	2417	2418	2419	2420	2421	2422	2423	2424	2425	2426	2427	2428	2429	2430	2431	2432	2433	2434	2435	2436	2437	2438	2439	2440	2441	2442	2443	2444	2445	2446	2447	2448	2449	2450	2451	2452	2453	2454	2455	2456	2457	2458	2459	2460	2461	2462	2463	2464	2465	2466	2467	2468	2469	2470	2471	2472	2473	2474	2475	2476	2477	2478	2479	2480	2481	2482	2483	2484	2485	2486	2487	2488	2489	2490	2491	2492	2493	2494	2495	2496	2497	2498	2499	2500	2501	2502	2503	2504	2505	2506	2507	2508	2509	2510	2511	2512	2513	2514	2515	2516	2517	2518	2519	2520	2521	2522	2523	2524	2525	2526	2527	2528	2529	2530	2531	2532	2533	2534	2535	2536	2537	2538	2539	2540	2541	2542	2543	2544	2545	2546	2547	2548	2549	2550	2551	2552	2553	2554	2555	2556	2557	2558	2559	2560	2561	2562	2563	2564	2565	2566	2567	2568	2569	2570	2571	2572	2573	2574	2575	2576	2577	2578	2579	2580	2581	2582	2583	2584	2585	2586	2587	2588	2589	2590	2591	2592	2593	2594	2595	2596	2597	2598	2599	2600	2601	2602	2603	2604	2605	2606	2607	2608	2609	2610	2611	2612	2613	2614	2615	2616	2617	2618	2619	2620	2621	2622	2623	2624	2625	2626	2627	2628	2629	2630	2631	2632	2633	2634	2635	2636	2637	2638	2639	2640	2641	2642	2643	2644	2645	2646	2647	2648	2649	2650	2651	2652	2653	2654	2655	2656	2657	2658	2659	2660	2661	2662	2663	2664	2665	2666	2667	2668	2669	2670	2671	2672	2673	2674	2675	2676	2677	2678	2679	2680	2681	2682	2683	2684	2685	2686	2687	2688	2689	2690	2691	2692	2693	2694	2695	2696	2697	2698	2699	2700	2701	2702	2703	2704	2705	2706	2707	2708	2709	2710	2711	2712	2713	2714	2715	2716	2717	2718	2719	2720	2721	2722	2723	2724	2725	2726	2727	2728	2729	2730	2731	2732	2733	2734	2735	2736	2737	2738	2739	2740	2741	2742	2743	2744	2745	2746	2747	2748	2749	2750	2751	2752	2753	2754	2755	2756	2757	2758	2759	2760	2761	2762	2763	2764	2765	2766	2767	2768	2769	2770	2771	2772	2773	2774	2775	2776	2777	2778	2779	2780	2781	2782	2783	2784	2785	2786	2787	2788	2789	2790	2791	2792	2793	2794	2795	2796	2797	2798	2799	2800	2801	2802	2803	2804	2805	2806	2807	2808	2809	2810	2811	2812	2813	2814	2815	2816	2817	2818	2819	2820	2821	2822	2823	2824	2825	2826	2827	2828	2829	2830	2831	2832	2833	2834	2835	2836	2837	2838	2839	2840	2841	2842	2843	2844	2845	2846	2847	2848	2849	2850	2851	2852	2853	2854	2855	2856	2857	2858	2859	2860	2861	2862	2863	2864	2865	2866	2867	2868	2869	2870	2871	2872	2873	2874	2875	2876	2877	2878	2879	2880	2881	2882	2883	2884	2885	2886	2887	2888	2889	2890	2891	2892	2893	2894	2895	2896	2897	2898	2899	2900	2901	2902	2903	2904	2905	2906	2907	2908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112	Barren village road	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226	227	228	229	230	231	232	233	234	235	236	237	238	239	240	241	242	243	244	245	246	247	248	249	250	251	252	253	254	255	256	257	258	259	260	261	262	263	264	265	266	267	268	269	270	271	272	273	274	275	276	277	278	279	280	281	282	283	284	285	286	287	288	289	290	291	292	293	294	295	296	297	298	299	300	301	302	303	304	305	306	307	308	309	310	311	312	313	314	315	316	317	318	319	320	321	322	323	324	325	326	327	328	329	330	331	332	333	334	335	336	337	338	339	340	341	342	343	344	345	346	347	348	349	350	351	352	353	354	355	356	357	358	359	360	361	362	363	364	365	366	367	368	369	370	371	372	373	374	375	376	377	378	379	380	381	382	383	384	385	386	387	388	389	390	391	392	393	394	395	396	397	398	399	400	401	402	403	404	405	406	407	408	409	410	411	412	413	414	415	416	417	418	419	420	421	422	423	424	425	426	427	428	429	430	431	432	433	434	435	436	437																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																					

(Countersigned)
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J. MAY, Captain,
Engineer, Suram District.

Statement showing the progress made in grain advances to ryots, and the extent of charitable relief given in the District of Suran for the fortnight ending the 8th August 1874.

Name of Sub-Division	Number of group Superintendents appointed.	Thames.	Number of villages in the Sub-Division.	Number of villages in which grain has been distributed, or in which the amount of grain has been settled up to date, as per paragraph 8 of Government order No. 44—T.F. of the 24th April 1874.		Number of villages in which collateral security of homesteads has been obtained, i.e., in which any mortgaged lands have been obtained.	Number of villages.	Estimated requirements for last (a) beginning of September 1874.	Particulars.			Money.	Gratuitously.	By way of recoverable advances to persons unable to give security.	Cooked-food.	Clothing to persons women.	Thread to weavers for cloth.	Cloth returned from thread spun by persons women.
				Quantity of grain distributed or required for last (a) till beginning of September 1874.	Number of persons.				Quantity.	Number remaining on the register on the 8th August 1874.	Deceased during the fortnight.							
Chuprah	16	580	12,000	92,000	95	59	10,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Manjira	16	514	11,000	77,133	95	59	10,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Mudrak	16	514	11,000	77,133	95	59	10,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Pura	16	514	11,000	77,133	95	59	10,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Devarah	16	514	11,000	77,133	95	59	10,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Sevan	16	514	11,000	77,133	95	59	10,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Barwale	16	514	11,000	77,133	95	59	10,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total	100	3,450	1,30,000	6,12,753	305	533	33,250	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377
Add for Barwale	100	3,450	1,30,000	6,12,753	305	533	33,250	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377
Grand Total	200	6,900	2,60,000	12,25,506	610	1,066	66,500	6,754	6,754	6,754	6,754	6,754	6,754	6,754	6,754	6,754	6,754	6,754

31 Villages do not require grain. 7 villages do not require grain. J. B. DRUMMOND, Opp. Magistrate and Collector of Suran.

Abstract Statement of Men, Women, and Children employed on Public Works in the District of Saran, during the 14 days ending Saturday, the 8th August 1874.

Serial number of work.	Name of Work.	Length of Road, &c.	Total number of persons employed during the 14 days.				Mean daily number of persons employed during the 14 days.				Number of persons employed on the last of the 14 days.				How long work is likely to give employment.	Rate of food-grain per rupee.				Remarks.	
			Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.		Dal.	Gram.	Malie.	At what distance obtainable from the work.		
1	Excavating 9½ miles, Saran embankment.	9½ miles	1,222	440	280	1,942	109	109	21	161	72	31	6	111	1 week.						
2	Constructing retaining bunds, 17½ miles, Saran embankment.	17½ miles	616	116	61	797	64	797	6	67	17	6	3	23	1 "						
3	Excavating extension embankment and Sarnam cut.		6,219	2,258	619	10,796	467	840	444	1,169	780	440	62	1,273	3 weeks.						
4	Annual repairs to Saran embankment.		726	128	72	926	53	945	10	68	17	20	6	40	1 week.						
5	Constructing Bonatih retaining bund.		139	42	31	212	10	312	3	15	13	5	3	30							
6	Maintenance of river protective work.		291			291	31			21	4										
7	Repairing galls		24			24	3			2											
Total number employed			10,140	4,991	1,003	16,134	726	1,405	491	1,616	913	506	89	1,476							
<div>Rate of wages paid for full work— To each man ... 1 0 " woman ... 1 0 " child ... 0 0 Total amount disbursed in wages ... 16,134 Total amount received in return ... 16,134 Expenditure made in return.</div>																					

Rate of wages paid for full work.
 To each man ... 1 0
 " woman ... 1 0
 " child ... 0 0
 Total amount disbursed in wages ... 14 0
 Total amount received in ... 14 0
 Balance made in stock.

(Counterigned)

J. S. DRUMMOND

Offg. Magr. and Collr., Saran.

W. G. L. COTTON, C.E.,
 Executive Engineer, L. G. Division.

Abstract Statement of Men, Women, and Children employed on Public Works in the town of Chupra, employed under the Magistrate of Surin, during the 11 days ending Saturday, the 8th August 1874.

Serial No. of work.	Name of Work.	Length of road, &c.	Total number of persons employed during the 11 days.			How long work is likely to take.			Rate of food-grain per rupee.				REMARKS.
			Men.	Women.	Children.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Men.	Women.	Children.	At what distance from the work.	
1	Small Serpentine Tank, &c.	1-50,000, making about 1000 ft.	64	1,077	331	1,012	75	27	84	76	87	150	15 days
2	Serpentine Tank	8,000,000	448	1,118	808	2,000	40	70	10	80	16	164	10 to 12 months
3	Making pucca ghats in Salompoore Tank.	...	215	157	15	427	15	14	1	50	16	82	18 days
4	Repairing and metalling along to Kishoree Road.	1,000	150	250	35	400	10	18	5	38	6	52	1 month
5	Repairing and metalling of Lower Station Road.	2,000	141	200	50	427	10	19	4	33	11	49	1 month
6	Repairing and metalling of New Road.	1,000	82	60	28	200	6	7	2	13	3	19	1 month
7	Repairing Kurin Chuk Road.	15,000	75	108	27	210	5	7	2	14	15	32	1 month
8	Repairing Teja Road.	...	235	321	66	622	16	25	6	48	15	69	2 months
Total number employed			2,015	3,419	605	3,308	161	244	62	419	100	516	

SARUN COLLECTORATE,
11th Aug. 1874.

J. S. DRUMMOND,
City Magistrate and Collector.

Remarks of the number employed, before the ordinary labouring and one-fourth to non-labouring class.

On piece-work—
Men ... 777
Women ... 1,201
Children ... 1,007
Total ... 2,985

On daily work—
Men ... 1,008
Women ... 1,008
Children ... 81
Total ... 2,097

On admissible food when works are stopped by rain—
Men ... 107
Women ... 100
Children ... 60
Total ... 267

Rate of wages paid for full work—
To each Man ... 100
" Woman ... 50
" Child ... 25
Total ... 175

Total amount disbursed to wages during the fortnight—
In grain ... 111 15 14
In cash ... 111 15 14

C.
Abstract Statement of Men, Women and Children employed on Public Works in the District of Sonam during the 14 days ending Saturday, the 8th August 1874.

Serial number of work.	NAME OF WORK.	Length of road, &c.	Total number of persons employed during the 14 days.			Mean daily number of persons employed during the 14 days.			Numbers of persons employed during the 14 days.			Rate of food-grain per rupee.				REMARKS.
			Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	How long work is likely to give employ.	Rate.	Grain.	Grain.	At what distance from the place where the work is done.	
I	Up to base tank	.....	271	247	60	607	27	16	4	49	47	104	11	104	.....	Rate of wages paid for full work— To each Man } Paid to male. " " " " " " } " " " " " " } Total number employed in wages during the 14 days— Grain, 53 mds., 56 lbs., 8 chs.
II	Culcherry	.....	311	283	221	614	22	20	16	58	9	11	.....	.....	.....
Total number employed...			683	539	270	1,491	49	36	20	107	56	.....	.....	.....	.....

(Countersigned)

J. S. DRUMMOND,

Offy. Magis. and Collr., Sonam.

A. C. WRIGHT,

Sub-divisional Officer.

TRIPLICATE.

Abstract Statement of Men, Women, and Children employed on Relief Works undertaken by the Hulien Estate under the Compt of Works in the District of Sarun, during the 14 days ending Wednesday, the 5th August 1874.

Serial number of work.	Name of work.	Total number of persons employed during the 14 days.			Mean daily number of persons employed during the 14 days.			Number of persons employed on the last of the 14 days.			Rate of food grain per rupee.				RATES.			
		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.		Women.	Children.	Total.
1	Begun to Koteypah road	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	Mur to Pargi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	Chunookha to Koteypah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	Bhary to Kutehon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	Honarpore to Bhary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6	Bhary to Mur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
7	Piprah to Bhary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8	Koteypah to Bhary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
9	3 Klars	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10	1 Baidh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
11	Bumrah to Baidh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12	Bumrah to Koteypah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13	Bumrah to Baidh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
14	Bumrah to Baidh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15	Bumrah to Baidh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
16	Bumrah to Baidh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
17	Bumrah to Baidh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total number employed	11,375	8,285	5,545	25,205	816	605	671	1,976	641	650	845	1,936	16				

Rate of wages paid for full work—
To each Man ... 8 to 9 paise } In most cases they are paid in grain.
" Woman ... 4 to 6 " }
" Child ... 2 to 4 " }
Total amount disbursed in wages during the fortnight Rs. 968-9-7.
Total quantity of grain disbursed in wages during the fortnight, Mds. 670-25-10.

(Continued)

HUTWA,
The 8th August 1874.

J. S. DRUMMOND,
Offg. Magr. and Collr., Sarun.

G. J. HODGKINSON,
Manager, Court of Works, Ray Hulien.

C.
Abstract Statement of Men, Women, and Children employed on Public Works in the District of Sarun during the 15 days ending Saturday, the 8th August 1874-75.

Serial number of work.	Name of work.	Total number of persons employed during the 15 days.			Mean daily number of persons employed during the 15 days.			Number of persons employed on the last of the 15 days.				Rate of food-grain per rupee.				As what distance from the work.	Remarks.
		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Male.	Female.		
1	RAJ BEMTCH NATH SARAI TASTIC.	150	200	120	470	16	21	11	48	11	16	9	36	13 0	17 0	19 0	2 miles.
2	Maharajgum, pargunah Chaurah.	127	53	39	219	9	4	2	16	17	7	5	29	13 0	17 0	19 0	2 miles.
3	ADDERBENHAR SARAI NICH.	90	40	20	150	7	3	2	12	17	7	5	29	13 0	17 0	19 0	2 miles.
4	Adampore, pargunah Andar. 2 wells.	84	26	21	131	6	2	2	10	17	4	5	19	13 0	17 0	19 0	2 miles.
5	Garibee ditto. 1 ditto.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6	Pharabooch, pargunah Pashluch, 3 wells.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total number employed		690	416	230	1,336	86	50	34	170	40	53	16	109	...	...	...	...

CHUPRA;
MANAGER'S OFFICE,
The 10th August 1874.

(Countersigned)
J. S. DRUMMOND,
Offg. Magr. and Coltr., Sarun.

SYUD MAHOMED FUZL,
Manager.

Every caste of laborers are employed on the work.

Ditto Ditto.

Rate of wages paid for full work—
To each ... 1 0
Man ... 1 0
Child ... 0 0
Total amount disbursed for wages during the fortnight, Rs 54-0-0.

No. 2717F, dated Motiharee, the 11th August 1874.

From—W. B. OLDMAN, Esq., Officiating Collector of Chumparun,

To—The Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal, Scarcity and Relief Department.

I HAVE the honor to forward the fortnightly narrative of Scarcity and Relief in the Chumparun District for the fortnight ending on the 8th instant. Its despatch has been delayed by one day, owing to the non-receipt of the Bettiah narrative till the night of the 10th instant, though the Sub-divisional Officer reports that it was despatched in time.

The delay enables me to report that, since the narrative was begun to be written, there has been a most favorable fall of rain in the Motiharee and Bettiah Sub-divisions, and Mr. Howe telegraphs equally good news from Ramnuggur. There is reason to believe that this opportune fall has been general in the South and East, and there is every prospect of its continuance.

A.—STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

The appendix contains a statement (A) shewing the kind and prices of grain at different bazars throughout the district. Except in Ramnuggur, all these markets are very fairly supplied, and this fact and the comparatively low rates are the most favourable signs of the fortnight, at the close of which a panic prevailed throughout the district on account of the prolonged break in the rains. These statistics are the more significant, because, except in the Ramnuggur Sub-division, Government prices have everywhere ceased to rule the markets as has hitherto been the case. In the other four sub-divisions stocks have run so low that at all golas sales have had to be restricted, and in many ceased altogether.

The weather has been everywhere the same. The continuance of the sunny interval at first caused no anxiety, and was favorable by allowing weeding to be carried on while rain was confidently expected. The clouds, however, kept gathering and again dispersing, and at the end of last week the prospects of the crop were very critical. The latest accounts report, however, that there have been heavy showers in all parts of the district within the last two days, and it is raining with every appearance of continued wet while this is being written. Meanwhile, the long delay has, except in Bettiah and Ramnuggur, caused some damage, particularly to the sathidhan, in which the ear was forming; and though generally the bhadai crop may now be considered safe, there has been nothing like the general downpour which was required, and in the east and south of the district the outturn will not come up to what was expected. Some of the maize plants on high grounds have withered, and the partially formed ears in some of the mills have dried up.

Murwa, sama, and kodo are now everywhere being harvested, and green cobs of the maize exposed for sale in some markets, while a large proportion of the crop itself will be harvested within the next fifteen days. A good deal of the early rice called "bhandule" has also come in, and is being sold at from 20 to 14 seers for the rupee.

The prospects of the main early and late rice crops are, however, anything but safe, except in the north of the Motiharee Sub-division, where there has been copious rain. Elsewhere, transplanting had everywhere been discontinued on account of the hardness of the ground. The partial showers already referred to have been effectual in keeping the plants alive, and there need be no serious anxiety on the subject unless the general fall of rain, which is now so anxiously looked for, does not come before the end of next week. The pressure has, of course, been severely felt, and has manifested itself in the closing of their stores by the mahajuns and clamorous applications for advances on all sides. But, except Mr. Weekes, in the Gobind-gunge Sub-division, none of the officers report that there has been any change in the previous good condition of the people, and, wherever works have been opened at the subsistence rates of half a seer of clean rice for adults, they have failed to attract labourers. Mr. Weekes reports that he has found some people collecting grass seeds for their food, and that some persons have died lately of dysentery. On visiting myself the part of Mr. Kilby's Sub-division (Dhaka) in which the panic first arose and where relief works had been re-opened, I found that only some 20 women and children had attended, and that on learning the rates they said they preferred to gather these grass seeds, of which they could collect from 2 to 3 seers in a day; while the local residents from whom I made enquiries said that this food was not unhealthy, though certainly it is not resorted to in ordinary years.

I have not heard of the prevalence of dysentery in any other sub-division besides Govindgunge. There have been some cases of sporadic cholera in the Dhaka and Ramnuggur Sub-divisions, in all 88 cases, of which 34 were fatal; but there are no signs of it in anything like an epidemic form. It is the general opinion that there have been far fewer deaths this year than usual.

B.—RELIEF WORKS.

There is plenty of work remaining to be done in all the sub-divisions, but, notwithstanding the pressure occasioned by the drought and the completion of so much field work, the demand for work is still very small, and after the rain, which has so opportunely fallen, may not be expected to increase.

In the Motiharee and Bettiah Sub-divisions all work under the circle officers was closed in the first week of the fortnight. The bulk of the labourers shown as employed under the Department Public Works are not relief labourers properly so called.

In the Dhaka Sub-division, also, only a daily average of 151 labourers under the circle officer is shown. All these people have been working at subsistence rates. The remainder are either skilled workmen or labourers paid at ordinary rates, and engaged in finishing bridges and emergent works.

In Ramnuggur, too, all the labourers are engaged in finishing emergent works.

It is only for the Govindgunge Sub-division that a long list of works under the Circle Officer is shown, and nearly all consist of petty village conservancy works, and the completion of bridges on village roads. The labourers have been paid at low contract rates in grain. Since the recent orders of Government restricting rates to subsistence allowance, Mr. Weekes reports that he has only works going on at five of the villages shown in this list. The work-people under the Department Public Works and under himself are not shown separately; but the Executive Engineer tells me that there are now only 11 persons, all skilled labourers, working in this sub-division under his department.

Generally, therefore, it may be said that throughout the district relief works are only maintained as a precautionary measure.

C.—TRANSPORT OF FOOD.

The operations under this head have been confined to the re-distribution of grain within the district and to the exportation of the surplus grain in the Ramnuggur and Bettiah Sub-divisions to Sarun. The whole quantity called on for Sarun from Mr. Weekes' Sub-division, Govindgunge, has been despatched. The despatch of the rest is going on as fast as it can be conducted, the only delay being on the part of the Sarun contractor, who has to supply the boats, and who, Mr. Howe reports, has most unfortunately quarrelled with Mr. Chretien at Bugaha, from whom he could have derived the greatest assistance, considerable delay being the result. Three laden boats also have been wrecked on their passage down the Gunduck. Mr. Fiddian is enquiring into the circumstances, and I have called for, but not yet received, a report on the subject.

The arrangements for these despatches to Sarun were made by the sub-divisional officers at Govindgunge at the conference with his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor there, but apparently both Mr. Samuells and Mr. Howe mistook their requirements. The former has since telegraphed, protesting against the removal of the embankment grain, and urging that 15,000 maunds were urgently required for his sub-division, as Mr. Howe had refused to let him have more than 5,000 maunds of 20,000 maunds, of grain which at Govindgunge he had arranged to send from Bettiah to Ramnuggur. With the Commissioner's sanction, Mr. Samuells was at first authorized to detain as much of the embankment grain as he thought absolutely required, but subsequently this permission was withdrawn, and he has been directed to allow the whole of it to go as originally arranged. The transport arrangements are altogether in the hands of the Collector of Sarun, and no delay has taken place through these contradictory orders. Mr. Howe's protest, which is embodied in his narrative and has reached me to-day for the first time, is as follows:—

"Under Government orders we are sending one lakh of maunds to Sarun. When I was at Govindgunge to meet His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, I was asked how much we could spare. Considering previous, and the then actual and probable expenditure, and bearing in mind how outlying a tract Ramnuggur is, and how difficult it would be to dispose of surplus stores, I said we could spare one lakh of maunds. This would leave us 68,000 maunds, which I considered would fairly bring us through the famine. The question of the possible failure of the rains did not then press itself on us, as prospects were magnificent. But the change I have described under Heading A. completely alters the circumstances of the case. The demand for the grain is enormous, and all the grain I have can, with advantage to Government and the people, be disposed of here. In view of possible contingencies, it would be fatal to denude this outlying tract of grain, and I would therefore most earnestly recommend that more grain be despatched to Sarun. According to the return, we have up to date despatched 28,524-25-8, but I have just heard from Mr. Fiddian that much more has been sent since these returns were prepared. I do not think we can safely spare more than 40,000 maunds, and would solicit sanction to stop after this amount has left Bugaha."

Mr. Howe reports that, notwithstanding this opinion, he has been making every effort to effect the despatch of the consignment originally arranged for.

On receipt of this, I at once telegraphed to Mr. Howe to despatch the whole amount as originally arranged for to Sarun, contracting his issues as may be necessary. I have this day received a note from Mr. J. S. Drummond, which shows the needs of Sarun to be very much more urgent than our own. As Mr. Howe had a reserve of 68,000 maunds after making over one lakh to Sarun, and as he reports that he is making large wholesale sales, it is obvious that by contracting his issues he will have enough in store to prevent the likelihood of any starvation-deaths till the next crops; however below the anticipated results they may be, come in.

Mr. Samuels, it appears, required the amount he wished to detain for advances. There is still a quantity of private grain in his sub-division, which, if it be absolutely necessary, he can be authorized to take over, a course which will save his having to embarrass Mr. Drummond, and there is also some 37,000 maunds of embankment and canal grain, the bulk of which is available to save at least any deaths or extreme misery from starvation occurring.

D.—STORAGE OF GRAIN.

In the Govindgunge sub-division Mr. Weekes' stocks had suddenly run down from 37,000 maunds on the 25th July to 3,000 maunds on the 3rd instant. On ascertaining this, I at once went out to the eastern part of Mr. Weekes' Sub-division and the southern part of Mr. Kilby's. The latter has been able to give 1,000 maunds of his reserve to Mr. Weekes' and I have given him 2,000 more from the Motiharee Sub-division. At the same time I authorised him to take over 4,000 maunds of grain imported on advances from Government by Mr. M. N. Macleod, and stored at Pipra in the Govindgunge Sub-division, and also got permission from Mr. Gibbon to stop 5,000 maunds of his privately imported grain in its course up the river to Bettiah. Both these steps have since received the Commissioner's sanction. Mr. Weekes wishes to have a still further supply, and I have written to the Commissioner asking that he may be supplied with 15,000 maunds more by river. In the eastern and southern parts of the Govindgunge Sub-division the bhadoi crops are both very poor and fully a month behind what they are in the rest of the district, and it is in this tract that supplies had fallen short, the chief expenditure being in direct advances to ryots, under which head Mr. Weekes has consumed nearly 60,000 maunds up to date. In consequence of this general falling short of stocks, sales to the public have had to be restricted and at many golas have ceased altogether, while advances have been very much restricted. On the stoppage of sales the market at first rose considerably, but almost immediately fell to the present favourable rates without further interference.

The Motiharee Sub-division has a full reserve equally distributed. The border country is now quite safe, and steps will be taken to empty the two border golas within the month.

The grain is generally in very good condition. The mixed grains only have been attacked by weevils, and both they and the rice, injured by damp, have been disposed of. Heat damp has not appeared anywhere.

E.—ADVANCES TO RYOTS.

As stocks have run low in all the sub-divisions but Ramnuggur, I have asked the sub-divisional officers to stop all advances except to zemindars and substantial mahajans till they had tried the test of opening relief works on subsistence rates. If these were found to attract adult male labourers, advances were authorised to the latter.

There is a good deal of divergence of opinion on the subject. Mr. Howe, with whom I entirely concur and who has not been obliged to restrict his advances from lowness of stocks, has stopped them of his own accord, because he thinks they have done their work and are no longer necessary to keep the people from starvation, while field work has, through them, been allowed to go on. There is reason to believe that in many cases applicants who really could get supplies from their mahajans come clamorously to us because of the favourable terms which Government grants, and because, having once broken loose from the mahajans' yoke, they do not wish again to come under it. This is not, I apprehend, a point with which the Relief Department has any concern. Mr. Weekes, on the other hand, is of opinion that for some months back mahajans' stocks have been a myth, but this is not borne out by the state of the markets in the Govindgunge Sub-division, or by the fact which he also reports that private trade is reviving, and, even if past stocks have been consumed, enough of the present harvest has come in to form fresh ones. On the whole, it is better that direct advances should cease except in those exceptional cases, where the necessity for them is proved by some simple test.

F.—CHARITABLE RELIEF.

The results of operations under this head are shown in the accompanying statements. The numbers show a slight decrease everywhere except in the Bettiah Sub-division, where the Sub-divisional Officer has found it impossible to diminish his numbers chiefly because, owing to the promptitude with which he closed his works, all the labourers who were doing merely a little more than nominal work were brought on his relief lists. The small amount of advances given out in this sub-division has doubtless a great deal to do with the numbers receiving gratuitous relief. Each officer has reported that the lists are scrutinized with the greatest strictness, and every effort has been made to contract operations under this head; but the last fortnight, with the pressure attendant on the drought, has certainly not been a favourable season for doing so.

I regret that the instructions laid down in the Government Circular No. 4640 L.R. of the 22nd July 1874, regarding the shewing of relief expenditure, have only been complied with by the three Sub-divisions of Motiharee, Dhaka, and Govindgunge; and of these the account submitted by Mr. Kilby is not intelligible. From Bettiah a gross account shewing the expenditure up to date has been received. A statement embodying those for the Motiharee and Govindgunge Sub-divisions only is annexed, and every effort will be made to submit the

district accounts with the next report. The preparation of all statements is very much impeded by the constant breaking down in the establishments from sickness at this unhealthy time of the year, and the great difficulty of replacing vacancies in the Ramnugur and Dhaka Sub-divisions.

G.—FINANCIAL RESULTS.

The chief expenditure has been on transport. Grain payments are still made wherever practicable except in the Govindgunge Sub-division, where it was absolutely necessary to reserve the little grain left for the payment of relief labourers and for charitable relief. The current expenditure has been exhibited principally in the sub-divisional returns, and has been incurred from the advances made to the several officers, and already shown in the district narrative.

The Rs. 995 expended by the Executive Engineer, East Champaran, was on account of material for bridges.

APPENDIX A.

Statement showing the Prices Current of food-grains in the District of Champaran for the past Fortnight.

MOTIHAREE SUB-DIVISION.

NAME OF GRAIN.	Rice, No. 1.	Rice, No. 2.	Wheat.	Gram.	Barley.	Makai.	Mosoor.	Urbur.	Urid.	Masoor.	Chena.	Murwa.	Mung.
	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.
Motiharee	8	11½	13	15	16	.....	14	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....
Banpurwa	11	13	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lathura	13½	16½	18½	18	.....	16	14	16½	14	.....	.....	30	15

DHAKA SUB-DIVISION.

Medhianunsee	21	13½	13½	17	17½	.....	17½	17½	15	16½	17	21	.....
Ghorahat	13½	13½	13½	17½	16½	.....	16½	17½	15	16½	.....	.....	.....
Patna	13	13	0	15	15	.....	17	17½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Patna	13	16	13	16½	15½	16½	.....	17	16½	16½	.....	16½	.....

GOVINDGUNGE SUB-DIVISION.

Rajpore	100	144	132	144	.....	144	.....	144	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Raigrahspore	10	13	.....	16	17	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hausat	13	16	13½	16	.....	30	16	17	16	16	.....	.....	.....
Chota Barburwa	14	16	13½	16½	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18

RAMNUGUR SUB-DIVISION.

NAME OF GRAIN.	Rice, com- muni.	Rice, best.	Wheat.	Gram.	Barley.	Makai.	Mosoor.	Urbur.	Urid.	Chena.	Masoor.	Kodo.
	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.
Ramnugur	13	13½	13	14½	17	14½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lathura	13	15	17	16	17	16	16	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pharpara	14½	16½	18	16	.....	.....	16	.....	15	.....	.....	.....
Chandpur	10	11	13	14	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Acemama	13	16	16	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23
Rathur	13½	13½	13½	13½	14½	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23
Belish	11	13½	13	16	13	.....	11	12	.....	.....	.....	.....
Batata	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	10	.....	.....	.....	.....
Medhobunsee	13	13½	13	15	14½	.....	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....

APPENDIX B.

Statement showing the number of men, women and children employed on relief works during the fortnight ending the 8th August 1874.

NAMES OF WORKS.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Daily average.
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MOTIHAREE SUB-DIVISION.

<i>Under Department Public Works.</i>					
Motiharee to Karkena—					
Section No. 1 ...	30	27	18	65	5
" " 11 ...					
Lakhora to Narkata ...	80	82	20	182	8
Motiharee station road ...	648	1,857	678	2,878	212
" to Begowlee ...	702	1,281	637	2,620	187
Grobindganee road ...	185	400	187	771	56
Succor to Tirukola ...	337	841	216	1,394	101
Motiharee to Modhobganee ghat road ...	292	668	127	1,077	78
" to Lalbagah ghat road ...	427	803	67	1,297	97
Total ...	2,526	2,518	1,760	6,804	496
<i>Under Circle Officer.</i>					
Tank at Pashanpore ...	636	1,802	24	2,562	185
" Bankenara ...	716	2,372	67	3,144	221
Motiharee town ...	410	408	96	1,004	71
Tank at Joyannipore ...	216	818	43	1,076	78
Total ...	1,978	5,300	290	7,568	541

Dacca SUB-DIVISION.

<i>Under Department Public Works.</i>					
Motiharee to Dhaka ...	85	16	25	126	9
Dhaka to Pundumbar ...	228			228	16
" to Perna ...	8	10	7	25	2
" to Mulhobganee ghat ...	15	20	13	47	3
Gondak crossing ...	1,804	267	500	2,571	197
Scrowa Bund ...	44			44	3
Total ...	2,380	313	541	3,233	227
<i>Bridges.</i>					
Motiharee to Dhaka ...	41			41	3
" Dhaka to Patahi ...	228			228	17
" " to Perna ...	202	208	79	489	36
" " to Pundumbar ...	201			201	14
Perna to Etwa ghat ...	220	11	8	239	17
" " to Perna ...	165			165	12
" " to Sakhon ...	1,401	743	214	2,358	188
Total ...	2,558	962	301	3,821	272
<i>Works under Circle Officers.</i>					
Titirah and Mohmedpore road ...	17	29	12	58	4
Mouza Meha ...	29	163	100	292	22
" Bura ...	14	73	8	94	7
" Kailarkul ...	6	20	40	66	5
" Bura ...	8	24	38	69	5
" Chaugata ...	62	173	11	246	17
" Bura ...	7	22	4	33	2
" Bura ...	18	16	2	36	3
" Bura ...	27	60	12	99	7
" Bura ...	29	62	7	98	7
" Bura ...	8	28	8	44	3
" Bura ...	9	48	7	64	5
" Bura ...	24	61	23	108	8
" Bura ...	4	25	6	35	3
" Chaugata ...	5	4	14	23	2
Chaugata Ganga ...	30	99	100	229	17
Mouza Patahi ...		169	21	190	14
Mouza Patahi Jaddo ...		140	6	146	10
Pernah Ganga ...		117	15	132	9
Mouza Bura ...	63			63	4
Employed on the ...					
Total ...	334	1,360	462	2,156	150

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NAME OF WORKS.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Daily average.
GOVINDGUNGE SUB-DIVISION.					
Saltan road	80	30	13	129	9
Mitran	443	11		454	32
Sakhoora	366	63	52	481	29
Koona	192	14	5	211	15
Kutwa	1,290	11		1,301	122
Bandra road	146	17	3	166	18
Buena	672	12	1	685	49
Kawarpore	224			224	16
Panoware road	440	21	2	463	34
Sinhal	256	23	2	281	17
Srinipore tank	1,383	117	3	1,503	105
Neksa	2,236	13	135	2,384	170
Pucca metola	420	6		426	33
Sonilipore road	400	101	49	550	41
Kutara	320	12	2	334	24
Puccinipore	272			272	19
Hipore road	172			172	12
Sectered	1,201	16	32	1,249	91
Thakur road	7,420	245	1	7,666	559
Harpurda	160			160	12
Nawadah road	115	80	21	216	16
Samarat	552	31	1	584	43
Bridge	353			353	26
Bahadur road	219	124	11	354	26
Bahaduram	115			115	8
Jaonwara road	513	437	21	951	71
Muthia	240	25	24	289	21
Rajpur	700	70	111	881	67
Sundhuchuk road	984	10	24	1,018	77
Hansipore ditch	636	192	17	845	63
Kasalar road	84			84	6
Ranipore	57			57	4
Bosekhara	326	20		346	26
Gandies	77	114	500	681	51
Jamunalia	125	18		143	10
Footmala	117			117	9
Sarunipore	260	23	24	307	23
Khousara	1,177			1,177	89
Baonra	1,650	725	425	2,800	211
Bochra	361			361	27
Nawton	103			103	8
Kasauli	100	40	25	165	12
Jaonwara	54			54	4
Jasowli bridge	146			146	11
Kasauli road	281	190	40	511	38
Dhansachum	78			78	6
Burhara road	1,274			1,274	97
Khokhra road	946	308	116	1,370	104
Total	29,728	6,155	3,019	38,902	2,714

SUB-DIVISION No. 4.

<i>Under Circle Officer.</i>					
Bethah town	685	1,065	344	2,114	151
Laburah to Bethah road	538	1,107	304	2,049	145
Greah road	278			278	20
Ginna	336	405	60	801	59
Total	1,857	2,577	717	5,151	385
<i>Under Department Public Works.</i>					
Bethah to Tanagah road	888	2,500	632	3,420	255
Bethah to Laxwara	312	606	270	1,188	89
Laburah to Shikarpore	232	470	110	812	60
Bethah to Begowlee	46	80	22	148	11
Laburah	151			151	11
Lowrah to Purna	201	203	20	424	32
Ditto for 8nd week	201	203	20	424	32
Total	2,029	4,062	1,074	7,165	537

SUB-DIVISION No. 5.

Mulpurwa road	204	714	154	1,072	80
Hanatar	434	724	154	1,312	94
Laxwara	4,020	8,804	910	13,734	1,026
Begowlee	2,002	94,172	378	96,552	720
Chankowlee	302	458	100	860	64
High level canal	4,312	8,740	714	13,766	1,028
Bamungur conservancy	1,314	2,760	470	4,544	337
Work not known (figures received by telegram)	260	680	114	1,054	79
Total	13,068	28,944	3,000	46,012	3,427
Upper Gindrick embankment	74,444	23,187	13,187	110,818	8,000
Lower ditto	4,039	610	1,003	5,652	404
Grand total number of persons employed during the fortnight	130,683	77,760	28,083	240,526	17,428

APPENDIX C.

Statement showing the Storage and Consumption of Government Grain in the District of Champaran up to the Fortnight ending 8th August 1874.

NAMES OF SUB-DIVISIONS.	Date for which figures are given.	Total allocation of Government grain.	TOTAL QUANTITY DISPOSED OF UP TO DATE.					Estimated grain sent for the consumption of the fortnight.	Remarks.
			Total quantity of grain stored, exclusive of transfer.	By sale to public or labourers.	By gratuitous distribution in any shape.	By advance to ryots.	By payment in kind to labourers.	Total.	
			Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds. S. C.	Mds.
1. Mithare	8th August 1874	1,55,000	1,55,132 0 0	56,063 37 0	8,659 13 7	45,041 30 0	33,701 23 12	1,84,553 19 3	None
2. Dhalb	8th "	210,000	1,19,606 0 0	35,331 13 6	2,669 31 12	45,072 30 15	20,328 8 6	99,633 13 8	None
3. Gerindgaue	8th "	1,90,000	1,40,347 0 0	12,602 0 13	7,510 0 7	69,597 39 7	31,652 12 3	1,11,842 13 14	10,000
4. Badiab	8th "	1,11,000	1,80,003 21 0	88,606 23 0	7,531 2 0	8,420 8 0	15,345 38 0	1,22,296 26 0	Nil
5. Ramnagar	8th "	2,60,000	1,07,476 35 11	53,533 23 0	9,635 27 5	43,024 55 10	7,225 34 10	1,07,444 34 8	Nil
	Total	6,50,000	6,66,567 6 15	2,35,946 37 5	24,081 34 14	201,181 18 0	1,16,154 35 14	6,77,280 36 1	11,000

Not entered by Sub-Divisional Officer.

APPENDIX E.

Financial result of the Fortnight.

Total expenditure from the district and subordinate treasuries as shown in the last narrative, full details of which were given ...

Ra. A. P. Rs. A. P.
23,66,156 0 3

Relief Works.

Executive Engineer, East Clumparan ... 965 0 0

Charitable Relief.

Rundo Lal, Cotton Mohurir ... 10 0 0

Establishments, &c.

Under Mr. Weckes ... 5 13 0
" " Oldham ... 911 8 2
" Dr. Cullen ... 29 0 0
" Mr. Collector ... 353 15 3
" Contingencies ... 126 12 4

1,421 0 9

Grand Total ... 23,68,582 1 0

APPENDIX F.

Charitable Relief Results.

NAMES OF CENTRES.	Number of persons relieved.	EXPENDITURE.		REMARKS.
		Money.	Grain.	
Motikaree Sub-division.				
Rampurwa	82	Rs. A. P.	Mds. S. C.	
Sagon	250		20 0 0	
Turkolia	256		05 26 4	
Motharee Factory	77		38 10 0	
Ditto Town	2,468	101 13 0		
Dahosha Committee, Section No. I	123	11 0 0	90 0 0	
Ditto Section No. II	67	14 0 0	42 0 0	
Inspector, North Division				
Ditto South ditto	63		19 39 8	
Adasore	163		27 10 0	
Narkaya	92		24 5 0	
Hospital and Poor-house Relief.				
Motharee Poor-house	563	30 8 9		
Ditto Hospital	24			
Sampurwa Poor-house				
Ditto ditto	23			
	3,561	157 5 9	327 10 0	For one week only.
Dihaka Sub-division.				
Patali	3,321		35 30 12	
Soraha	1,864		21 8 4	
Mozapore	3,544		38 6 0	
Parmayha	2,477		37 16 4	
Barah	3,368		39 58 4	
Jagodes	2,939		25 10 0	
Paddumkair	3,001		36 23 8	
Parywa				
Titares	2,784		30 32 4	
Bahala	2,308		28 34 8	
Bahala				
Madhobannoe Hospital	28			
Spinning cotton	148		26 11 2	
Total	26,407		318 8 14	
Gulidangan Sub-division.				
Bahurwa Chaita	164			
Paprah	661			
Rajpore and Hosseoe	780			
Bahurwa Kotwa	182			
Barah	300			
Kumowal	23			
Machawa	180			
Dyemuth	148			
Total	2,446			Expenditure not given.
Bettiah Sub-division.				
Bettiah	16,856		283 28 0	
Laheryah	1,316		24 7 12	
Udaka	9,436		62 10 0	
Pur Jirna	4,214		62 30 12	
Manpara	4,436			
Lahurah	6,708		42 19 4	
Pura	6,390		118 23 6	
Bettiah Poor-house (light labor)	1,071		19 23 0	
Ditto (without labor)	1,635		36 30 13	
Ditto Hospital	728		9 3 0	
Total	66,880		499 33 18	
Rannagur Sub-division.				
Rannagur Sub-division	2,828		624 12 12	No details given.
Total	90,129	187 5 9	1,870 25 9	

Return showing the number of cases which occurred during the last fortnight.

				DISTRICT CHUMPARUN.	
				Bettiah.	Moulmaee.
Theft—	Heading 63 of Crime Return, A.I. ex- closure of cattle theft	Month of August 1874	...	8	14
		Corresponding month of August 1873	...	1	14
		" " " 1872	...	5	19
Lurking-house trespass—	Headings 35 and 36 of Crime Return, A.I.	Month of August 1874	...	6	29
		Corresponding month of August 1873	...	11	20
		" " " 1872	...	1	26
Total of all two crimes		Month of August 1874	...	14	43
		Corresponding month of August 1873	...	12	34
		" " " 1872	...	20	45

CHUMPARUN COLLECTORATE,
The 11th August 1874.

W. OLDHAM,
Officiating Collector.

Fortnightly Narrative of the District of Moughyr for the fortnight ending 8th August 1874.

A. STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

THE weather during the past fortnight may be said to have been generally favourable. More or less rain has fallen almost every day, and the transplanting of the cold-weather rice has been going on all over the district. The Ganges has risen very high during the past week, and the dearahs have all been more or less submerged. The bhadoi, consequently, as is usual in most years, can only be gathered to any extent as food for cattle. This is no very great hardship, for, if the dearahs are well inundated, there is all the better prospect of a good spring crop, on which these dearahs chiefly depend. Food in the markets throughout the district is plentiful; some hawkers told me this morning that indian corn is cheaper now than it was this time last year, and at Bucktearpore early kirhi is selling at 50 seers per rupee. Vegetables are generally cheap, and any one who can work has no difficulty in getting food. The relief superintendents remark, as I have also myself remarked, that persons emaciated from scanty food, are rarely met with.

There is, however, a good deal of sickness about, both in the town of Moughyr and in the country.

From Luckeesera Mr. Currie writes: "The want of rain latterly has made the paddy crop very backward. On the other hand, it gave hopes of getting a bhadoi crop off the dearahs; we have just had three days' heavy rain, which must have extended to the Jamoos hills, for the Keul was roaring past yesterday and the day before at a precious pace. This has entirely done for the dearah crop here, whereat the owners weep, but they sow on chance every year, and do not get a crop once in five years. This year their hopes were, perhaps, raised by the advanced stage to which the crop reached, while it was the more important from the short crop of last year. No great harm would ensue if nothing were lost but the dearah bhadoi. The bhadoi crop generally, however, will be a short one, averaging eight annas. It was weakened by the excessive rain, and, while unfit for such a contest, was, at the same time, choked by the rank growth of weeds. This excessive rain was followed by dry weather, which, too late to save the bhadoi crop from injury, has only had the effect of making the paddy crop backward from want of moisture for transplanting. The three days' rain this week will suffice, I hope, for the completion of the transplanting. While the above sounds gloomy, I do not mean to say that there is really a worse lookout than in ordinary years, only it is unfortunate, especially this year, when we want early crops in to ease the markets, that the bhadoi should be short and the paddy backward."

From Bucktearpore Mr. Manson writes: "In last report I stated that there was a promise of more rain, and that the aghany dhan would all be speedily planted out. Unfortunately, the clouds are all passed off with but one shower on the 26th, which the people gladly took advantage of, and about half the aghany dhan was planted out. From that date to the end of the fortnight the weather has been dry and close. I heard many reports that kirhi and marwa, which are just ripening, would be spoiled, and give but an eight-anna yield. These reports, however, I believe to be pure inventions, as we had little showers at intervals, giving quite sufficient moisture for the ripening crop. The marwa and kirhi, will, I estimate, be quite a thirteen-anna crop. Reports were also rife that the remaining half of the aghany seedlings were being scorched up in the nurseries. I have noticed them a little yellowish, but nothing more, and this morning we have had a fall of 2.15 inches, and the rain still continues. By to-morrow evening the remaining half of the aghany dhan will be planted out, and nothing but the most extraordinary dry weather in Bhadra can now damage it. A few light showers during the next six weeks and a good shower in Assin is all that is required.

Mr. Wilkins, at Begooosera, reports: "The crops were much in want of the late rain in the neighbourhood of Begooosera itself. I expect it will do a great deal of good. The crops on the bank of the Ganges, near here, have suffered considerably from the sudden rise of the river. They are being cut for cattle. I also hear that a good deal of dhan sown this year in the bed of the Kabur Tal (the waters of which receded for want of rain) is suffering from drought. A good deal of the crops on the banks of the Gunduk and the Balim have been destroyed by the floods. The Balim is higher this year than I have ever known it before.

Otherwise the prospects are very good; chasna is, in some places, ready to cut. The crops are not at all choked with weeds in this sub-division.

Mr. Money reports from Jamoore: "During the past fortnight I have visited Mahishere, Sonu, and Newadi, and the crops both of janera and dhan were doing very well. Fears entertained of too long a spell of fine weather have been dissipated, and the alternate wet and fine weather latterly has been all that could be desired. I went as far as Nurgunge, the hills south-east of Newadi. The crops are more backward there, but are doing well; the area under janera being particularly large. I also visited, a few days ago, several of the Southal villages in the Mallehpore taluk. Everywhere transplanting was going on freely, and indian corn very strong and healthy looking. Everything promises as brightly as possible. Many of the upper lands had been sown with chotta janera, rahur, kudrum, moogh, and undi, all together (the kudrum as a boundary fringe to the rest), and they were coming up well. Very few paddy fields were unsown; all these few will be sown later with rubbee, crops of barley and gram."

B.—RELIEF WORKS.

The relief works are now almost stopped throughout the district. A few persons are at work at Jamoore, Bucktearpore, and Begooesrai, finishing up the works which have been taken in hand, but no new works are contemplated, and I think the ordinary road cess work will find employment for all.

C.

The only transport of grain now going on is between Luckeeserai and Begooesrai. As Mr. Wilkins, however, says he does not want any more grain there, the transport will now be stopped. Grain, which has been lately indented for by the Executive Engineer for payment to laborers on the Tirhoot road, is being supplied from the neighbouring Fegrah gola.

D.

There is nothing particular under this head.

E.

The following amount of grain has been advanced during the fortnight:—

	Mds.
Monghyr circle	232
Bucktearpore circle	4,261
Luckeeserai circle	76,605½
Jamoore	12,206½
Begooesrai	93,335½

These advances have been of immense benefit to all concerned. They have enabled the landlords to pay their laborers' wages, as they do in ordinary years, in grain, and they have kept the ryots in good condition, as having sufficient food.

E.

I purpose doing my best, consistent with propriety, towards closing all our relief centres in the district, as I think the present price of food and future prospects warrant a return to the normal rule, that those who cannot work must be supported by their relatives and not by Government. Colonel Murray, who manages the relief centre at Monghyr, agrees with me that the numbers relieved by him should now be greatly reduced, and he will do his best to carry out this object. If the prospects continue good, I think charitable relief should be stopped altogether in the district by the end of September.

The following information is in accordance with Government letter No. 125:—

Committees.

Monghyr, Jamoore, and Begooesrai.

Sub-Committees.

Luckeeserai, Sheikpoora, and Bucktearpore.

- (2) Special sub-division opened and officered.
- (3) Luckeeserai, Sheikpoora, and Bucktearpore.
- (4) Jumalpoore ... Native gentlemen connected with railway.
- Chapran ... Mr. H. Christian.
- Bassoni ... Mr. J. Christian.
- Garpurrah ... Mr. Hooley.

G.—FINANCIAL RESULTS OF THE FORTNIGHT.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Total expenditure as shown in last fortnight	9,86,794	11	1
<i>Details of above.</i>	Rs.	A.	P.
Placed to credit of Public Works Department	1,56,175	0	0
On disbursement to officers in charge of transport arrangements..	36,874	1	2
Advanced to Captain ——— for transport of Bhagulpore grain	2,707	14	6
Ditto Mr. Fletcher for Tirhoot grain	2,037	9	6
Ditto Captain Conolly	300	0	0
Ditto Mr. Thomas, Contractor	5,70,318	14	9
Construction of golas	6,114	7	11
Payment of gola establishment	13,577	5	0
Miscellaneous charges	9,888	9	0
Purchase of anchors	22	4	0
Advances to trustworthy residents for purchase of grain	76,250	0	0
Ditto municipalities	5,000	0	0
Ditto for land improvement	44,740	0	0
Trocavi advances	64,539	8	3
Package charges	6	12	0
Transport charges	142	5	0
	9,86,794	11	1

* From commencement.

During the fortnight.

Placed to credit of Public Works Department	Nil.
Advanced to Mr. Thomas, Contractor	18,117 9 6
Ditto Hurbullab Narain for transport of Bhooma	16,477 15 6
Ditto Mr. A. Cook for transport of grain	310 11 0
Payment of gola establishment	5,011 11 11
Miscellaneous charges	1 14 0
	<hr/> 39,819 12 11
Grand total	<hr/> 10,26,814 9 0
Final payments	Nil.
Advances recoverable	1,90,629 8 3

Price-current of Food-grains in the District of Monghyr for the fortnight ending 8th August 1874.

Names of Places.	Rice.	Wheat.	Gram.	Indian corn.
	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.	Srs.
Monghyr	18	16½	19½	17
Jamsoore	11	14	17	
Begoesera	12	14	19	
Bucktearpore		14	15	
Luckeesera	10½ to 14½	15	19	18

Daily Register of Persons relieved in the District of Monghyr for the fortnight ending 8th August 1874.

Name of Circle.	Date.	In poor-house.	By village relief tickets.	By light-labor tickets for rope-making.	By spinning.	By weaving.	By sale of grain under column 6, subject to relief instructions.	By other means.	Total.
Monghyr, including Khagaria, Kharruckpore, Gungta, and Basowni relief centres.	From 25th July to 8th August.	66,127			342				66,469
Bucktearpore circle	Ditto	269	91,223						91,492
Begoesera	Ditto	2,976							2,976
Jamsoore	Ditto	416	9						425
Luckeesera	For July 1874	6,502	14,400	226	1,406	40			21,974
		80,480	1,05,730	226	1,846	40			1,88,322

This return is incomplete in consequence of the non-submission of the return from Luckeesera. It will be sent as a supplementary statement on arrival.

Statement of Cases from 24th July 1874 to 6th August 1874, and corresponding dates of 1873, 1872, and 1871.

	THEFT.				House-breaking or house-trespass in order to commit theft.				TOTAL.			
	Heading 43 of Crime Returns, A1, excluding cattle-theft.											
	1874.	1873.	1872.	1871.	1874.	1873.	1872.	1871.	1874.	1873.	1872.	1871.
Number of cases reported, excluding cases declared by the Magistrate to be false and never to have occurred.	20	19	19	7	15	36	43	11	55	55	61	18
(Column IV of A1, minus column IXA)...	8	7	6	3	5	11	10		6	18	20	3

* (According to quantity.)